

Eleven young people of Columbia Grange met long enough Tuesday evening after the close of the regular session to institute by consent of the Grange, and the young people, the first Y. G. A. unit in this part of Umatilla county. Mrs. Emmett Knickerbocker was chosen president, Lloyd Goodrich, vice president, Jessie Goodrich, secretary, Marjory Burnham, treasurer, Verne Dunham, steward, and Mrs. Lloyd Fix, reporter. Lloyd Fix is vice president of the Umatilla county Y.G.A.

Many jolly social times ahead are anticipated. Definite plans as to time and place of meetings will be decided upon at a meeting to be held before the next regular Grange session November 21, beginning at 7:30 promptly.

PARENT-TEACHERS TO MEET NOV. 16

The third of a series of winter meetings of the Hermiston Parent-Teachers association will be held Thursday, November 16, in the high school gymnasium, according to W. G. Kersbergen, high school superintendent. The meetings are proving quite popular and good crowds have been attending.

The meeting Thursday will be divided into two divisions. The first 30 minutes will be taken up by students of the high and grade school in explaining various extra curricular activities. The latter half of the entertainment will be an amateur picture show with Mervin Werth as "producer." Color pictures will be shown of different Hermiston scenes, including the fall flower show.

The usual business will be transacted during the remainder of the evening.

STANFIELD NEWS

By Mrs. J. M. Richards

Miss Sophronia Rhea, daughter of C. C. Rhea, became the bride of Walter Isackson of Echo in a ceremony performed in Pasco Friday, November 3. Other members of the bridal party were Mrs. Brock of Pendleton and Curtis Rhea, aunt and father of the bride, Anna Ornduff of Portland and Harvey Smith of Ione.

The bride wore a teal blue gown, and for traveling chose a smart ensemble of tweed with wine accessories.

Mrs. Isackson is well and favorably known here, having assisted in the Refvem store since her graduation from the local high school. The groom is perhaps best known as a member of the popular Troubadour orchestra.

Following a wedding trip to California the couple will be at home on the Bottger farm near Echo.

Mrs. George Baars of Oregon City visited her sister Mrs. Roscoe Meyers and sister-in-law, Mrs. W. G. Wallace the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Johnson and Mrs. J. F. Lane went to Portland Friday and returned Tuesday.

Five cars of poles and one of wire are being received by the R.E.A. for use on the new line which runs from the eastern border of the project through the wheat country.

Mrs. Margaret Daughtry and her assistant, Miss Lenna Waid are justly proud of the rating of 99.4 given our local post office by Inspector F. Shelton of Portland.

The regular semi-monthly Ladies Aid meeting was held in the newly decorated church basement rooms. Mrs. Homer Hedrick, vice president, presided during the business meeting. Out of town speakers included Mesdames J. K. Griffith and Bert Westgate of Pilot Rock. Mrs. Byron Brown was hostess during the lunch hour, following the business meeting.

Stanfield high was represented at the Girls League conference in Umatilla Saturday by the Misses Neva Hedrick, Marie Rhea, Lena Bowman, Grace Krause, Virginia Gabriel, Viola Hogue, Lorna Gabriel. For the afternoon program a sailor's tap dance number was given by the Misses Marie Rhea, Virginia and Lorna Gabriel, with piano accompaniment by Neva Hedrick.

Miss Margaret Young and Lewis Haisch of the high school faculty and Supt. and Mrs. M. A. Parker of Echo spent the week end in Portland.

The Garden club met at the G. J. Elliot home Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. S. P. Smith and Mrs. N. D. Bard attended the Hermiston Garden club meeting Monday.

Swift & Co. and a large crew of workmen are operating their semi-scale picking plant here. They are running two shifts and shipped two car loads of dressed birds this week.

Mrs. V. J. Hogg was hostess to the Harmony club at her home Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Fred Green as program chairman.

At the regular monthly S.A.A. meeting Tuesday night Mrs. G. G. Smith announced plans for the year's work. Mrs. Leslie had charge of a short program and Mrs. M. Refvem and Mrs. Jack Lawrence served at the close of the meeting.

POMONA GRANGE ADOPTS RESOLUTION ON ELECTRIFICATION

YGA ORGANIZATION FORMED IN EVENING

The major transaction at the Umatilla county Pomona Grange meeting held last Thursday at the Hermiston community park hall was a resolution that rural electrification projects be given a three-year moratorium on taxes and that tax valuations on such properties be placed on the basis of gross income, or resale value, rather than on construction costs.

The following resolution was read: "The REA has been created to supply electricity to rural communities and districts not already supplied, and their services are limited to such districts; communities thickly settled and favorably located for electric service for the most part have been already supplied . . . by private companies, leaving the less favorably located districts for REA service; competition with such companies is forbidden, and under such restrictions and regulations the cost of lines and equipment per member is exceptionally high, and the present method of taxing on a valuation determined by cost of construction is practically confiscatory."

Mrs. Minnie McFarland of Umatilla spoke on PUD operations, following which the Pomona meeting moved that a committee be named to meet with committees of the subordinate granges and map a plan of organization.

One of the principal speakers of the day was Ben White of the Westland Grange who discussed "Organization of Rural Fire Prevention Districts." Other speakers included Mrs. Witty, and Walter Holt, county agent, Claude Hanscom is Grange Master of Umatilla county.

The morning business consisted mainly of reports of officers of the 13 subordinate granges of the last quarter activities. A pot luck dinner was enjoyed at noon in the basement of the Methodist church.

A new organization was formed in the evening known as the Y.G.A. Officers elected included: Don Sherwood, Hermiston, president; Floyd Fix, Hermiston, vice president; Mary Frick, Pendleton, secretary; Artice Arbuckle, Ukiah, trees; and Dick Bloom, Pendleton, steward. Installation will be held in December.

Six members were reinstated and 16 initiated at the ceremony in the evening. Interspersed during the day were entertainment numbers from the various granges. Following the completion of business in the evening, dancing was enjoyed. Approximately 75 Grangers were present during the day.

FISH SCREEN TO BE FINISHED SOON

Completion date of the fish screen at the head gate of the feed canal has been tentatively set at November 30, according to E. D. Martin, manager. The screen is situated approximately a mile above Echo.

The purpose of the screen is to prevent fish from entering the canal and be turned back into the river.

RED CROSS CAMPAIGN TO BEGIN MONDAY SPONSORED BY HERMISTON GARDEN CLUB

The 1939 American Red Cross activities will begin Monday morning, November 13, according to Mrs. F. B. Belt, local chairman. The local campaign will be sponsored by the Hermiston Garden club under the direction of Mrs. Belt who will appoint committees for various districts of the city. The county organization is headed by J. A. Yeager of Pendleton.

For many years Umatilla county has been one of the first to complete its roll call, and usually stands very near the top in percentage of memberships. Last year only Crook, Baker, Lake and Multnomah counties had records of better percentage.

Particular emphasis is being placed on the membership campaign nationally this year because the organization is faced with a growing

Mayor McKenzie Dials First Call Saturday



Mayor F. C. McKenzie is shown placing the first call of the new dial telephone system when the cut-over was made at 9:20 Saturday night. Councilman Al Quiring watches the operation. Cut courtesy of Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company.

STORES TO CLOSE ARMISTICE DAY; GAME AT HEPPNER

All stores will be closed in Hermiston Saturday in observance of Armistice day. Merchants are featuring week end specials for Thursday and Friday instead of the usual Friday and Saturday bargains. The Herald was published a day earlier for the convenience of "ad shoppers."

Armistice day celebration in this region will be centered at Heppner with no activities scheduled for Hermiston. A large delegation will travel to Heppner to support the Hermiston Bulldogs in their annual tilt with their arch rivals. The football game is the highlight of the day's activities and will start at 2:30. The Hermiston high school band will accompany the players and will perform during the day.

Coach Ray Critchfield's eleven has improved with each encounter during the season and now stacks up favorably with the Heppner crew. As an indication of the improvement over early season play was the 7-6 score at Walla Walla Friday. Walla Walla B won the first contest here by a much larger score.

By comparative scores, Heppner is rated somewhat higher than the locals but not enough to make the outcome certain. The Bulldogs are out to win their last game of the year and are primed for the Armistice fray. Coach Critchfield was rather uncertain as to the starting lineup earlier in the week but indicated that his boys would be at full strength.

First Commercial Club Meeting.

The Hermiston Commercial Club will meet next Tuesday evening at 7:00 o'clock at the Odd Fellows hall in Hermiston. A turkey dinner will be served by the Rebeccas, and many delayed matters will be taken up for discussion. A full attendance is expected.

HIGH SCHOOL TO PRESENT ARMISTICE PROGRAM FRIDAY

Hermiston Union high school students will present an Armistice day program Friday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock in the high school gymnasium, according to W. G. Kersbergen, superintendent. The public is invited to attend.

Featured numbers will be given by members of the glee clubs and band. Various other numbers appropriate to Armistice day celebration will be presented.

FAMOUS SEA DIVER COMING TO LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL SOON

Capt. Art Hook, world famous sea diver hero and adventurer, is coming to the Hermiston high school auditorium on Wednesday, November 15, at 2:00 p. m. The program is sponsored by the national assemblies of which the local high school is a member. Admission price has been set at 10c.

Capt. Hook tells a thrilling story of the mystic ocean depths and brings with him diver's helmets, dress, shoes, weights, life belts and other diving equipment. He gained national recognition in 1927 when he fought a huge octopus at the bottom of the sea to recover the body of a sea-faring man.

He has made more than 7000 trips beneath the water and has returned 17 bodies to the surface. He is credited with saving 12 people from drowning. Capt. Hook also brings a beautiful display of oil paintings of deep sea life.

PIERCE ARGUES FOR TURKEY INDUSTRY

Walter M. Pierce, Oregon representative, appeared recently before the committee which is seeking data on the Argentine Trade Treaty, which is of vital importance to turkey growers of the west. He spoke in the interest of the turkey industry and the necessity of protecting those interests.

Last Friday he appeared before Secretary of State Hull for the purpose of appealing to him in behalf of the agricultural interests, including turkey, wool and fruits, which may be effected by the Argentine and other South American treaties.

CHRISTMAS LIGHT COMMITTEE NAMED

Preliminary work in the Hermiston resident Christmas lighting project was begun Tuesday evening. Mrs. Julius Gimble was elected chairman, with the following committee members: Mrs. M. P. Casseday, Mrs. R. C. McReynolds, Mrs. Charles Taylor, Mrs. F. B. Belt, Mrs. T. A. O-Grady, Mrs. B. A. Doyle and Mrs. J. A. Clarke.

Definite plans will be formed in the next few weeks for an extensive lighting plan.

BULLDOGS ALMOST NIP WALLA WALLA BEES LAST FRIDAY

The Hermiston Union high Bulldogs continued their improvement over earlier season performances and almost upset the heavier Walla Walla Bees at that city last Friday afternoon. The final score read 7-6 for the home team but the Bulldogs were knocking at the door of victory all afternoon.

Gene Miller, who has been a shining light in recent games, scored the Hermiston touchdown on a fake reverse from the eight yard line. The score was the climax of a determined drive from the midfield. The first came on the 10 yard line where the Bees recovered a Hermiston fumble. On another occasion a completed pass over the goal line was ruled illegal when the receiver stepped over the end zone.

The entire second half saw the Bulldogs playing on even terms with a team that had won an earlier tilt by a larger score.

FIRE SIREN MOVED TO BELL TOWER

Due to the recent change to the dial telephone system in Hermiston, the fire siren situated on the roof of the telephone building is being installed on the top of the bell tower this week. The large bell is being lowered to make room for the siren.

After installation the siren will continue to ring during the 12:00 o'clock noon hour by means of a time clock which was ordered to be purchased at the last regular meeting of the city council.

To take care of fire and police calls, a special telephone is being installed at Pearson's Service, next to the bell tower, who will take the responsibility to throw the switch for the siren for fire, and ring the bell for the police calls. An extension telephone will also be installed at Jack's Cafe for fire calls at night and also a red light will be installed for use in notifying police. The new telephone number for fire and police calls is 2931.

DUCK HUNTERS DRAW STIFF FINES

Various fines were meted out by Judge L. Jouannault of Stanfield the forepart of the week when federal game agents were at work checking up on unlawful practices among migratory fowl hunters. Most prevalent among the cases was hunting ducks with unplugged shotguns.

Listed on the police blotter were: Joseph Pat Brennan, Theo. Henry McGreer, Robert Vernon Warner and Willie Sylvester Parker.

Harris Returns To Army

Robert J. Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Harris of Hermiston, returned to Missoula, Mont., Monday where he is enlisted with the 4th Infantry, United States Army. He has been home for the past 40 days on furlough.

NEW DIAL SYSTEM INAUGURATED ON SATURDAY NIGHT

DIALS REPLACE MAGNETO TELEPHONE

Marking the beginning of a new epoch for Hermiston telephone customers, as well as for all the rural line telephone users in this vicinity, the old Hermiston magneto telephone office was replaced with a modern, up-to-the-minute dial telephone exchange last Saturday night.

At the same time, the Echo and Stanfield telephone exchanges also were changed to dial operation.

The change-over in all three exchanges was made at exactly 9:20 p. m. Here in Hermiston, J. A. Murray, district manager for the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company, headed a group of telephone officials and technicians, who were on hand for the cut-over, while Mayor F. C. McKenzie and many Hermiston residents also participated in the attendant ceremonies. To Mayor McKenzie went the honor of placing the first call over the new dial system.

Lines and equipment had been tested and all was in readiness at the new office when the signal for the cut-over was given. The old office was silenced by what is technically known as "pulling heat coils," and the new dial apparatus was started clicking by removing "picks"—small thin fibre pieces—from the mechanism. The entire operation was so coordinated that it took only a few seconds.

The new Hermiston dial exchange went into service with 263 telephones, including some 70 rural line telephones. These 70 included 46 new rural, or farmer line telephones, and brought the number of telephones served by the Hermiston exchange to an all-time high peak.

All of these rural line customers, who own their own lines and telephones, but who are connected with the Hermiston exchange, had placed their own telephone facilities in

WEATHER REPORTS HAVE UPS-DOWNS

The minimum weather reports of the week varied from a low 17 to a high 49, according to Charles Taylor, weather observer. The low was hit November 5 with the warmer night coming on November 3. Day temperatures have varied to a less extent with the high at 65 and low at 53.

The following are the reports for the week:

November 1	60	23
November 2	53	25
November 3	60	40
November 4	57	20
November 5	56	17
November 6	65	37
November 7	68	48
A total of .01 rain was recorded.		

STORES TO CLOSE THANKSGIVING DAY

All business operations will be closed in Hermiston on Thanksgiving day, November 23, according to Mayor F. C. McKenzie. Much discussion has been heard during the past month concerning the earlier day of Thanksgiving as set by President Roosevelt. The consensus of opinion, however, makes little issue of the matter, many feeling that two days of celebrating would not be amiss.

The usual family reunions will be a feature of the day.

CHARLES LEATHERWOOD

Charles Leatherwood, 61, passed away at the Hermiston General hospital Monday morning at 6:15. He had been in the hospital only nine days, but had been ill for some time. His nephew, Fay Leatherwood of Wayneville, North Carolina, had been notified of his illness but arrived too late to see him alive.

Leatherwood had a brother, Park, at Coquille, Ore. The former was a bachelor and had lived on the Stanfield project for 35 years. He was well known among old timers and for many years was associated with J. K. Shotwell, contractor.

The body was shipped Tuesday night to Wayneville for burial by Prann's Funeral Parlors.