

Fifty new library books are available for summer reading for adults, boys and girls of Columbia district. The school house will be open for books to be selected and checked out Monday afternoon June 17. There is a fine selection.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Cable and daughter Doreen and Mrs. W. A. Mikesell were Pendleton visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jendrzewski who went to Corvallis for commencement exercises at O.S.C. last week when their daughter Helen graduated, returned Tuesday. They also visited Mrs. Jendrzewski's brother Max Wood and family in Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Stratton are visiting Mrs. Stratton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Ott. Some time this week they will go on to the San Francisco fair and Santa Cruz where his mother has been visiting her brother. The mother will return with them to her home at John Day.

Mrs. Gerald Robinson of Merced, Calif., niece of the late Jackson Harr and cousin of Charley and Walter Harr, visited here Wednesday and Thursday of last week. She was on her way east to visit other relatives.

Bill Bradshaw, who has been employed on the DeMoss turkey farm, left for his home in Portland Tuesday.

Joyce McCulley, Mary Sommerer, Lois Hunt, Henry Sommerer and Bobby Eaton were among 4-H club boys and girls who left Stanfield Monday for summer school at Corvallis.

R. B. Wilcox and son Lester left Sunday for the hot springs at Ritter, Ore. They expect to be gone a week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Leibe and family were Pendleton visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Metteer were called to Nyssa, Ore., Friday due to the illness of his mother, who passed away and was buried at Fossil last Tuesday.

Mrs. Donald Cameron and daughter Donna and Mrs. Carlton Luck and her daughter Donna Jean, Marva and Nadine Hutchison spent Thursday with Mrs. L. W. Douglas. They are all from Pilot Rock.

Opal and Clement Stockard were home for a few days recently. Opal is employed at the tuberculosis state hospital at Salem and Clement has a position in a drug store at Dufur.

Willis Struthers, who has been employed on Butter Creek, returned home Saturday because he was ill. Mark Foster left Sunday to take his place in the hay field.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Hall and Rev. Weston were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Gus Linder one day last week.

Helen Jendrzewski, who graduated from O.S.C. last week and came home for a few days, left Sunday to return to Corvallis and act as house mother for Marion county 4-H club girls.

Mrs. Belle Caldwell is greatly improved this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Warner and family and Betty Morehouse and Annie Lindsay were Saturday evening guests at the H. Stockard home. Miss Elma Dunham will leave Thursday for Eugene where she will attend summer school at the University of Oregon.

Mrs. Jessie Hooker and her grandson made a trip to Kennewick Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Maffei, Mrs. William Hulisz and Ralph Maffei made a trip to Athena Tuesday. Ralph Maffei will be employed there.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Parsons and daughter Glenda of Tacoma, Wn., were visitors over the week end at the Robert Woodward home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Stockard accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Jendrzewski to Corvallis last week saw their son Clement graduate from O. S. C.

Mrs. William Hulisz of Wasco is a house guest of Mrs. Walter Maffei. Lou Hooker of Enterprise is here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gaberding had a dinner guests last Thursday evening Leonard Feurst, an old neighbor when they lived at Grandview, Wn.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Knox have moved into Hermiston.

Fred Fletcher of Walla Walla was in the district on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Chaney and daughter Merylin of Stanfield were calling at the H. A. Wilson home Sunday.

Riley Gray and Mr. and Mrs. Hord and sons of Washington were visiting at the John Gray home several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kowitz spent Monday afternoon at the Gus Linder home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wilson and daughter Phyllis were in Boardman on business Sunday and had dinner with friends.

Frederick Gray returned home last week. He had been attending a school for the blind at Salem.

Mrs. W. C. Morehouse spent one day last week at the Forrest Moore home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Feldman of Wasco were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Maffei over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Beebe of Stanfield were afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Woodward Sunday.

The "Little Theatre" met Tuesday evening at the Columbia club house. Members decided to give a play, "Lovely Mary" some time in July.

Mrs. John Knox attended the funeral of her aunt at Fossil Tuesday.

LOCAL YOUNGSTERS WIN AWARDS AT UNION STOCK SHOW

DEMONSTRATION TEAM PLACES FIRST

Members of the Hermiston contingent to the annual Union stock show returned Saturday night with several prizes and awards. Reports are that competition was extremely strong this year with some very excellent stock entered from various parts of eastern Oregon. Miss Eva Wilcox entered the competitive events in the horse show but failed to win a ribbon, although making an excellent showing.

The youngsters report an excellent time and greatly enjoyed all three days at the show. In addition to the stock competition, other entertainment features included a carnival, rodeo and demonstrations.

The following is a list of award winners:

Sheep division—Yearling ewe: Lois Hunt, first; Irene Hunt, second; Vern Hunt, third, and Wilbur Hunt, fourth. Pen of ewe lambs: Wilbur Hunt, first. Ram lamb: Lois Hunt, first. Pen of rams: Lois Hunt, first. Ewe Lamb, Wilbur Hunt, fourth.

Dairy division—Jersey bull calf: Frank Benschel, second. Jersey producing cow: Frank Benschel, fourth. Jersey bull calf: Joe Cooney, first. Guernsey bull calf: Joe Cooney, first and Grand Champion. Yearling Jersey heifer: Rodman Hartley, fourth. Jr. Jersey heifer calf: George Hartley, fifth. Yearling Jersey heifer: George Hartley, fifth.

Beef division—Sr. Hereford fat steer: John McMullen, fifth.

Contests—George Hartley: second in showmanship contest. Henry Sommerer and Kenneth Benschel: first in demonstrations (half summer school scholarship apiece.) Hermiston Dairy club: sixth in team judging.

ECHO GIRL WINS ESSAY CONTEST

Frances Madison, 15, Echo high school girl and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Madison, won first prize in the annual Beekman contest on an essay on Marie Dorion, the Indian who accompanied the Astor fur expedition.

The contest, a memorial to C. C. Beekman, Oregon pioneer, offered \$60 as first prize, grading downward \$10 for each of the four winners.

Ruth Van Buskirk, 16, route 5, Box 333, Salem, was second; Harold L. Bradley, 16, route 3, Eugene, third; and Chester R. Stipe, Portland, fourth.

RELATIVE ABOARD REFUGEE SHIP

Mrs. Eric Taplin, a sister of Mrs. R. L. Woolley, is aboard the ship Washington which left recently from the war-torn continent bound for the United States. Mrs. Taplin's husband, Captain Taplin, is an officer in the British army and recently took part in the famous retreat from Flanders.

Mrs. Taplin was instructed to leave because she is an American citizen, her parents residing in Forest Grove. The ship is experiencing some difficulty, having been stopped recently for inspection. It is scheduled to dock at Ireland on June 14.

FOURTH OF JULY PLANS UNDERWAY

Plans are rapidly shaping for the celebration in Hermiston on July Fourth. Considerable interest is being shown in the various events during the day, including the kiddies program in the morning, political speech, races, baseball game, fight card, fireworks and dances on July 3 and 4.

The fight card is expected to be one of the best in recent years with several men already picked to appear in the bouts. Several teams are under consideration for the baseball game, including the Mission Indians, Helix and a Walla Walla team.

Posters and bumper cards advertising the celebration have been released this week.

RED SOX LOSE TO HELIX NINE HERE SUNDAY

County League Standings

Helix	6	2	.750
Hermiston	5	3	.625
Stanfield	5	3	.625
Reservation	5	3	.625
Umatilla	3	5	.375
Pilot Rock	0	8	.000

Scores Sunday's Games
Helix 5, Hermiston 4.
Regulars 21, Pilot Rock 6.
Stanfield 10, Umatilla 3.

Games Coming Sunday
Pilot Rock at Helix, Hermiston at Stanfield and Umatilla at Regulars.

In one of the hardest fought games of the season, Helix defeated the Hermiston Red Sox 5 to 4 on the local diamond Sunday in what was probably the crucial contest of the season. Helix now has left on its schedule Umatilla and Pilot Rock and should win both contests, but may find some difficulty with Umatilla. If Bob McKenzie, Umatilla pitcher, has one of his good days the Helix batters will have trouble in scoring.

Fred Rankin, Hermiston, and Pierce, Helix, each allowed seven hits during the contest but several costly errors in the third allowed Helix to score four runs. Hermiston scored in the third and sixth innings but was unable to bring in the tying run late in the contest. In the eighth and ninth, Hermiston had a runner on second base but was unable to score him on each occasion.

The Indian Regulars had a afield day at the expense of the hapless Pilot Rock team, winning 21 to 6, while Stanfield was defeating Umatilla 10 to 3 in the other contest.

J. G. TAYLOR BURIED AT WESTON

J. G. Taylor, 57, who passed away in Portland, June 9, following a major operation, was buried Wednesday afternoon in Weston. Funeral services were held from the Methodist church with Rev. Earle Cochran, pastor of the Pendleton Presbyterian church officiating. Folsom's of Pendleton had charge.

Mr. Taylor was the son of the late Moses Taylor and was born in Weston where he lived until a year ago. He then purchased the Joe Dyer farm southeast of town.

Surviving are the following sisters and brothers: Miss Amanda Taylor, Mrs. Minnie Bush, Walter Taylor and Elmer Taylor of Pullman, Wn., and Hugh Taylor of Pendleton.

Local Fighter



SAMMY McCRACKEN

Sammy McCracken, pride of Hermiston ring fans, will be featured on the Fourth of July boxing card. His opponent has not been chosen to date.

MRS. W. B. HAMILTON

Mrs. W. B. Hamilton, aged 80 years, passed away at her home in the Butter Creek district Thursday morning after an extended illness. She had resided on the home ranch for some 30 years and was well known by the entire community, especially by the old timers. Mr. Hamilton passed away three years ago.

She is survived by one son, two daughters and one granddaughter: John Hamilton of Butter Creek; Miss Rachel Elizabeth Hamilton, Butter Creek; Mrs. M. H. Steward, Seattle, Wn., and granddaughter, Mrs. Wm. Champion of Seattle.

A private funeral will be held at Folsom's Funeral Home in Pendleton Saturday.

Name Listed Is Confusing

The name of J. E. Conner of Pilot Rock which appeared on the last listings distributed by the Pioneer Service Co. could easily be confused for that of J. E. Connor of Hermiston, stated A. H. Cramer, district manager for the company, who was in town Wednesday. The name should have read G. E. Conner and is in no way connected with the Jess Connor here.

"ORPHANS OF THE STORM"



An earnest appeal is still being issued by the American Red Cross due to the fierceness of the battle across the seas. The quota for Umatilla county has been announced as \$2,400, according to J. A. Yeager of Pendleton. Local contributions may be left at the First National Bank. Mrs. F.

B. Belt and A. H. Norton have been appointed to take charge of the Hermiston campaign. The demands on the Red Cross have far exceeded earlier predictions and indications are that there will be no let-up in the immediate future, as fighting overseas continues.

FORMS RISE FOR HERMISTON AUTO CO. BUILDING

The past two weeks have seen a great change in the new location of the Hermiston Auto Co. with the building proper nearing completion. The walls and roof are finished with work now concentrated on cement driveways and walks. Wm. E. Kennedy has been in charge of the latter with Longhorn & Sons as general contractors. J. V. Villermoure has done the wiring and will also install the lighting fixtures. Local labor has been utilized throughout the construction.

According to C. L. Hodge, manager, the business will open for the public on or about July 1, depending greatly on the arrival of equipment and fixtures.

OFFICE OF SECOND CLASS NOW ASSURED

Information was received by W. E. Logan, local postmaster, Saturday that Hermiston post office will be advanced to a second class office on July 1. The change comes as a result of a gain in receipts in 1939 and an inspection of the local office made recently by a representative from the Washington office.

A new schedule will be announced next week when a change of hours is expected. One extra clerk will be employed and some auxiliary clerks probably will be selected under civil service.

WAR TALK PROVES FAVORITE TOPIC

A popular subject of conversation these days is the war situation across the sea. Opinions and suggestions are numerous and the war is being fought and re-fought daily on the Hermiston street corners. The consensus of opinion, however, is that the United States should aid the Allies in whatever way possible but should not send American soldiers over the sea. On the other hand, there are those who feel that the time has come when drastic action should be taken with Hitler and his cohorts.

Papers are being scanned anxiously each day and radio programs are proving popular for latest developments.

WEATHER RECORDS SOAR THIS WEEK

Hermiston residents could sympathize with other parts of Oregon this week when the thermometer flirted with the 100 degree mark Monday and Tuesday and finally made the grade Wednesday when it rose to 104. This was not particularly out of line with the rest of the state with various parts reporting similar high marks.

No particular damage has been reported locally but a continued hot spell is expected to injure grain and hay crops.

The following is the report for the week, according to Charles Taylor, local weather man:

June 6	78	51
June 7	75	56
June 8	83	48
June 9	90	44
June 10	99	47
June 11	99	56
June 12	104	54

BANGS TESTING TO BE RESUMED

Dr. W. F. Daut, federal veterinarian, has been appointed to carry on the testing of dairy cattle in the Hermiston area for Bangs disease and tuberculosis. Anyone wishing to have their herd tested or retested is asked to leave their name at the office of M. E. Knickerbocker, assistant county agent at Hermiston.

Dairymen are urged to cooperate in the testing program.

TROUBADORS PLAY HERE SATURDAY

Another of a series of dances being staged in the Hermiston park hall will be held Saturday, June 15, with the popular Troubadors furnishing the music. The dances are proving popular and are drawing large crowds from both Hermiston and outlying cities. Popular prices are being charged.

PLANS LAUNCHED TO RID COUNTY OF NOXIOUS WEEDS

FARMERS URGED TO COOPERATE

A blitzkrieg that will make the present European situation look simple was launched Wednesday of this week when the Umatilla County Weed Committee, with the cooperation of the Umatilla County Court embarked on a plan to eradicate all areas infested with white top and Russian knapweed in the Hermiston district.

The county has purchased a small rubber-tired tractor with a duck foot cultivator and has hired Eddie Benschel of Hermiston to do nothing else but cultivate patches of these two weeds for the next two years.

The cost to cooperating farmers will not exceed \$8.00 per acre per year. Since the Agricultural Adjustment administration pays \$7.50 per acre for clean cultivation of noxious weeds, in most cases farmers will not be out one cent except the use of their ground for two years.

The county has also placed a crew to work on county owned property where these two weeds are present to treat or burn in such a manner as to accomplish eradication. Russian knapweed and white top are ordinarily considered the worst noxious weeds and because they probably were first introduced in alfalfa or clover seed, they are more of a problem and spread more rapidly in the irrigated districts.

This year control measures will probably be confined to the drainage basin of Butter creek since slightly over 100 acres have already been signed up in that area and it is estimated that such an acreage will be sufficient to keep a tractor on a full time basis, according to M. E. Knickerbocker, assistant county agent.

A cooperative arrangement with Morrow county has been worked out to control these weeds on lands in that county on upper Butter creek so that ranches on the lower reaches of Butter creek will not be in danger of reinfestation from water or wind borne seed. Mr. Knickerbocker reports that cooperation so far has been practically 100 per cent. Most farmers are aware of the harm that is being done their lands by the presence of noxious weeds and are only too willing to cooperate in the eradication program, he states. In fact, probably such a plan would not have been undertaken by the county weed committee this year had it not been for the demands of farmers having a serious weed problem that something be done immediately.

On areas which are too small to cultivate, such as a square rod or two, it is planned to treat patches of weeds with chemicals. This will be done by the same crew operating on county owned property and the only charge made to the farmers will be for the cost of the material used. Mr. Knickerbocker states that it is important to get these patches while they are still small, because a square rod this year may spread to cover an acre or more next year.

Marbut Move to Hermiston

Dr. and Mrs. W. Martin Marbut and daughter will complete their moving operations Friday from Echo to Hermiston where they will reside in the Dr. Prime residence, occupied until recently by Mr. and Mrs. James Pearson. Mr. and Mrs. Pearson have moved to the residence recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Dave Mittlesdorf who have moved to the former Lyle Tilden home.

Vacation Bible School Closes

The Hermiston Vacation Bible school will close Friday after a successful two weeks. Enrollment reached 160 during the school which combined churches in town. A display of work done at the school was shown at the Methodist church Thursday night and a program of entertainment given at the Baptist church. Workers in the school were well pleased with results.

KQ Cookery Club Meets

A regular meeting of the KQ Cookery club of Irrigon was held last Wednesday evening on the banks of the Columbia river. Parents of members of the club were guests with marshmallows and wieners being served during the evening.