

Mrs. A. H. Cable underwent a sinus operation last Saturday. She is under the care of a specialist in La Grande where she went the fore part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold White of The Dalles came Friday for a visit at the Walter Maffei home. They returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Leonard Pearson is here from her home at Seattle. Mrs. Pearson and the late Mr. Pearson were pioneers of this district and their farm was known as the Fair-View farm. With Mrs. Pearson is her grandson, Meredith Wilkins, also of Seattle, and his mother, Mrs. Earl Kahler and her husband, and little son Laird Kahler. They are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Lempieton and Mr. and Mrs. John Conrad. Meredith will be remembered here by old timers as he often spent the summer with his grandparents. He graduated this spring from the Washington State university and has been commissioned to the U. S. Navy supply corps. He is one of 25 in the U. S. who received a Naval R.O.T.C. He will be stationed at Philadelphia and will leave soon.

Mrs. Frank Lindsay visited Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dixon while en route to attend the Veteran of Foreign Wars convention at Walla Walla.

Mrs. Gus Linder was taken to the Hermiston General hospital last Friday evening. Her illness was caused by a fall which she received early in the spring.

K. Walls was a business visitor in Pendleton Saturday.

Miss Genevieve Wilcox came from Tacoma Saturday to spend a week at the home of her brother, R. B. Wilcox.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sehl-Haven of Wallula and Bill Sehl-Haven were visitors Sunday at the Eugene and Verne Dunham homes.

Duane Lathrop reports picking his first ripe watermelons from his patch.

A. J. Dunafon of Portland, brother of Mrs. H. A. Wilson, and another brother, C. C. Dunafon and sons Raymond, Calvin and Lee of Divon, who have been visiting here, left for Portland and other points Monday.

C. P. McGilvra of Portland was an over night guest at the John Knox home Sunday.

Mrs. Laura Pardun and children Junior and Ella of Salem, who have been visiting the past month with her brother Martin Lenz and family of Stanfield, are now visiting at the George Liebe home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Feldman of Wasco were week end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Maffei.

A. H. Cable made a trip to La Grande Sunday. He was accompanied by Mrs. W. A. Mikesell and his daughter Doreen.

Ernest French of Stage Gulch was a visitor at the John Knox home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Knott and daughter Patsy of Port Angeles, Wn., were visitors at the Elmer Dixon home last week.

Mrs. Dell Ray of Spokane and Clyde Caldwell of Umatilla were visitors at the Robert Woodward home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Shipp from Roseburg, Ore., visited at the John Knox home Monday.

Marjory Gray has returned to her work at Wallula after a week's visit here.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Boylen of Umatilla spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Boylen. Miss Dorothy Knox, who has been visiting several weeks at Condon and Fossil, returned home Friday.

Melvin McKnight left Monday afternoon to spend the Fourth with his folks at Ontario.

Mrs. Walter Blessing came up from Portland Friday night to be with her mother, Mrs. Gus Linder. (Continued on page 2)

## IRRIGON PIONEER PASSES SATURDAY FOLLOWING ATTACK

### LEADS ACTIVE LIFE UNTIL LAST WEEK

Funeral services for Mrs. F. Rieks of Irrigon were held at Prann's Funeral Parlors in Hermiston Monday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock with a large group of friends and relatives present. Rev. J. K. Walpole read the following obituary during the services:

Nancy Jane Millsap was born March 1, 1862, in Blockton, Iowa. At the age of nineteen she was united in marriage to Charles Edwin Churchill. To this union nine children were born, five of whom are living. In May, 1882, they started for the west to carve a home in that country they had heard so much about. After six months in a covered wagon, having had many a scare from the Indians and an encounter with horse thieves, they arrived in Boise where they worked to replenish an empty purse.

In the fall they landed in Cove, Oregon, where the young husband freighted from Umatilla to LaGrande. After four years the Wallowa country was opened to settlers. They took up a homestead in Paradise where there were no schools or churches for the growing family. After helping to erect school buildings which were also used for Sunday School, the home never was too crowded to make room for the circuit riders who could only come during the summer months.

After 11 years on the homestead the husband was laid to rest and the widow was left with six children, at the age of thirty-four. She lived on the homestead one year and then moved to Enterprise, where another child was laid to rest. After four years she disposed of the homestead. After spending some time in Lewiston, Idaho, she heard of the project opened up at Umatilla, and in 1905 she bought a home there.

In 1914 she was married to F. H. Rieks of Irrigon, and for 26 years they resided on a farm one mile from Irrigon.

Mrs. Rieks was active to the last week of her life, driving her car to Pendleton every week with produce from the farm.

She passed from this life June 29, 1940, at the Hermiston General hospital. She leaves to mourn her loss besides her husband, four daughters: Mrs. Etta Alexander of LaGrande, Mrs. Nellie Nelson of Mt. Vernon, Wn., Mrs. Myrtle Ward of Umatilla, and Mrs. Grace Allquist of Vale; one son, Roy L. Churchill of Helena, Montana; three sisters, Mrs. Buhrer, Syracuse, Kansas, Mrs. Angie Tapp of Oklahoma, and Mrs. Nora Ward of Wichita, Kansas; ten grandchildren; one great grandchild and a host of friends.

She was 78 years, 3 months and 25 days old at the time of her death.

## W.P.A. ALLOTMENT TO BE CONTINUED

Contrary to unofficial word last week, the W.P.A. project, which was started in Hermiston several weeks ago, will resume operations Monday, July 8. Word to this effect was received this week by Mayor F. C. McKenzie. When information was received recently that all W.P.A. work was being discontinued, efforts were made to continue the local project of sidewalk and street improvement.

Although the above information is somewhat out of line with statewide news, it is welcome information here.

## UMATILLA DEFEATS HERMISTON RED SOX

Ursel Hiatt's Umatilla baseball team won a King-X game from the Hermiston Red Sox on the Hermiston diamond Sunday afternoon. The contest was a 10-inning affair with the visitors eking out a 5-4 victory by virtue of a hit and an error in the 10th inning. Gerald Keller, on the mound for Hermiston, pitched steady ball throughout.

Two home runs featured the contest with Wayne Hiatt connecting for one for the visitors while Fred Rankin duplicated the feat for the Red Sox.

## Quartet to Appear Here



K. E. Burke, president of Northwest Christian college at Eugene, will be here Saturday of this week and accompanying him will be the male quartet, pictured above, from the institution which they represent. Beginning at 8:00 o'clock in the evening they will present an evening's entertainment in the Central Church of Christ. This is their fifth annual tour of the northwest.

The public is urged to avail themselves of this opportunity. There will be no admission charge.

## TURKEY DISEASE CAUSES ANXIETY AMONG GROWERS

A disease by the organism Hexamita has been causing considerable consternation among turkey growers during the past two weeks. Severe losses have been reported from at least two growers although rumors to the effect that the disease is spreading rapidly is entirely unfounded.

Assistant County Agent M. E. Knickerbocker reports that this organism is a flagellate parasite which affects the lower part of the digestive tract. Probably the greatest damage to birds arises from the fact that the parasite prevents proper assimilation of food and the birds rapidly lose flesh, with the result that in some outbreaks the greatest loss is in stunted birds rather than actual deaths.

The disease may be transmitted by birds, flies, rodents or any animal that can go from flock to flock. Human beings can also carry the disease by merely walking from one flock to another. Definite diagnosis of the disease can only be made with the aid of a microscope, states Mr. Knickerbocker.

## SHELL CO. BUILDS TANKS AT UMATILLA

Umatilla is again enjoying a building boom. The Shell Oil company is building two new tanks and on adjoining lots the Shaver Forwarding company is leveling land in preparation for a tank building and a building for their trucks.

The new additions will make quite a city in itself near the river banks.

## GEER TAKES OVER FREIGHT OFFICE

I. W. Geer, a resident of Hermiston for the past 15 years, was named agent this week for the Portland-Pendleton Motor Freight concern in Hermiston. In addition to this, Mr. Geer is also announcing that he will do local and long distance hauling. The same location as in the past will be utilized, namely the brick building west of the creamery.

## FACTS GIVEN ON INFANTILE DISEASE BY LOCAL DOCTOR

By Dr. W. M. Marbut  
Infantile paralysis is a disease the cause for which is unknown. It is treacherous in that it has a very mild and unsuspecting onset. Death or some permanent deformity almost always follows an attack. The onset is usually very mild with just a very low fever, vague aches or pains in the head, back or legs. If any of these symptoms develop consult your physician at once because after paralysis starts it is too late. More can be done in the beginning than later.

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## POST OFFICE NOW HAS NEW SCHEDULE

Beginning with July 1, the Hermiston post office is under a new schedule. The change comes as a result of being transferred into a second class division. Wn. E. Logan, postmaster, states that business to date in 1940 is well ahead of 1939 with indications that the office will maintain its second class rating for the second year.

Outgoing mail now closes at 7:45 in the evening while no money orders are being issued afternoons on Saturday. There will be no window service Sunday mornings as has been the custom heretofore. However, there will be the regular box mail as usual.

Lois Dean Taken To Portland  
Lois Dean, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Dean, was taken to the Doernbecher hospital in Portland immediately following the funeral of her brother Kenneth. Lois was taken ill Tuesday and concern was felt as to her condition.

## KENNETH DEAN PASSES AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

Kenneth Dean, 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Dean, passed away Tuesday noon at St. Anthony's hospital after a short illness of only a few days. He is survived by his parents and a younger sister, Lois. Funeral services were held Wednesday at Folsom's Funeral Parlors in Pendleton, with Rev. Stearns Cushing in charge. Miss Francis Robertson sang two favorite hymns of Kenneth. She was accompanied by Mrs. Harry Brawn.

Kenneth first became ill Friday but was not thought to be serious until Sunday. Dr. W. M. Marbut called in Dr. Morgan of Pendleton for consultation. His condition, however, continued to get worse with the result that Dr. J. P. Brennan, also of Pendleton, was called to the Dean home. It was decided that Kenneth was suffering from infantile paralysis, affecting the throat.

He was immediately removed to the Pendleton hospital where his condition Tuesday morning was announced as somewhat better. He suddenly took a turn for the worse and passed away about noon.

Kenneth will be greatly missed by the younger set of Hermiston where he was a popular student in the sixth grade. He was a great lover of livestock, especially horses, and was a member of the 4-H organization. He was a healthy, robust young man and well liked by his playmates.

## BABY DROWNS IN IRRIGATION DITCH

The 16-months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam DeGarmo of near Hermiston was drowned in the "R" line irrigation canal Friday afternoon while playing near the ditch. Efforts to revive the youngster proved futile. The canal, which runs about two hundred feet north of the DeGarmo home, was only partly filled with water that day.

The canal is fenced at this point but it being wash day a gate leading to the canal was left open for a short time. The youngster found his way through the gate and to the ditch.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 2 p. m. from the Pilgrim Holiness church. Burial was in the Hermiston cemetery.

## HERMISTON AUTO COMPANY OPENS

The new home of the Hermiston Auto Co. was opened for business this week but formally the new sales and service station will not open until Saturday, July 13, when special activities are planned. It has been planned to have the opening this Saturday but due to the delay of shipments of equipment it was decided to wait.

The gas pumps, however, are being operated, according to C. L. Hodge, manager.

## KELLERS HOSTS AT CHARAVARI

Approximately 25 guests gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Keller Monday night for a pleasant surprise for the newlyweds. Besides the usual festivities of similar events, Mr. Keller took his morning bath in the evening in a spring nearby their home.

According to some of those present, several of the guests also slipped into the refreshing water.

## NEW OWNER ON CARSON RANCH

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Carson have disposed of their ranch near Hermiston to Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cargill, recently of Nez Perce, Idaho. The Carsons have operated the farm for the past seven years and have developed it into one of the finest in the territory. Miss Wilma Jean Cargill is staying with her parents for the present but expects to teach school this winter in Idaho.

The 15-acre Carson ranch is all under irrigation and is nicely adapted for diversified farming. Four acres of alfalfa, three acres pasture, three acres artemesia and one acre of grapes are now in crop. Mr. Cargill states that he intends to plant garden produce next year.

Mr. Cargill is a brother of Mrs. A. E. McCulley of Hermiston.

## FIRE DESTROYS NEW MERCHANDISE AT BURNHAM'S

### FLAMES CONFINED TO REAR OF STORE

The Fourth of July season was officially opened in Hermiston with a potentially dangerous fire breaking out in the rear of Burnham's store. Workmen were burning dry grass and weeds at the rear of the building and apparently the flames either heated the tin walls to the extent that they set fire to paper inside or flames flicked through a small hole somewhere in the tin.

The flames shot up instantly and in less than a minute the entire rear addition was aflame. The fire department was on the scene shortly thereafter and confined the flames to the back two rooms, although the entire store was filled with dense smoke and some water getting through the back door. No serious damage was done to the stock inside the store proper.

The main damage was done to new winter merchandise which was stored in the back rooms. Included in the merchandise was \$450 worth of new Peters shoes, several cartons of blankets, new luggage and other dry goods. Although not a great amount of the goods was burned, dense smoke and water created considerable damage.

Mrs. J. S. Burnham stated following the fire that the entire loss was covered by insurance. A general estimate of the entire loss will run close to \$1200.

## WEATHER HOVERS IN UPPER BRACKET

The hottest day recorded during the week was Monday when the thermometer hit 101 in Hermiston. Although the weather has been somewhat uncomfortable, a slight breeze has been blowing continually giving some relief. The nights have been comparatively cool except for Sunday night when a minimum of 62 was recorded.

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

Date	Max.	Min.
June 27	84	47
June 28	93	43
June 29	95	50
June 30	97	62
July 1	101	54
July 2	95	66

## PAST MASTERS ARE HONORED

Four past masters, Frank Seeliger, Floyd Laird, Don Sherwood and Ed Dunning, successive Westland Grange masters, were pleasantly surprised last Thursday when the Home Economics club, with Mrs. J. M. Prindle as chairman, presented them with official past master emblems. Bertha Hanscom, state Grange Flora; Claud Hanscom, county deputy and Pomona master; Charles Wicklander, state deputy, and Mrs. Wicklander were present, as well as most of the members of the Westland Grange.

The candlelight service and the presentation exercises were under the direction of Mrs. J. B. Corliss.

## AUTOMOBILE FAILS TO MAKE CURVE

A brand new Oldsmobile was initiated into the ways of the world Monday afternoon when a driver, who was delivering the car to a Salem dealer, failed to negotiate the curve south of Hermiston and landed upright in Roy Hale's rosebush patch. Besides tearing up five bushes, one locust tree and five sections of irrigation flume, it generally damaged the lawn.

The machine was covered by insurance much to the relief of Mr. Hale and the driver.

Miss Blinston Returns Home  
Miss Genevieve Blinston, who was selected by the Hermiston American Legion auxiliary to represent Hermiston at Girls State near Silverton, returned home this week. She was accompanied by Miss Connie Instone of Lena who also attended the camp. While here she visited with Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Wells.

## Ten Years Ago

G. R. O'Daniel, father of Mrs. F. C. McKenzie, passed away Thursday, June 26, at Bingham.

Coming as a surprise to store owners around here was the fact that they could purchase sweet corn on the cob which was grown on the project. July first marked this event when A. F. Bessel brought some corn to different stores.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jendrzejewski were pleasantly surprised Friday evening when 60 of their friends in Columbia district held a party in honor of their twentieth wedding anniversary.

The celebration of Independence day at Columbia park will be the big drawing card of the day for people in this and surrounding communities.

Robert E. Kennedy of Hermiston was ordained to the priesthood at St. Francis Cathedral at Baker, Oregon. He will celebrate his first solemn high mass at Our Lady of Angels church at Hermiston on July 6.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Warner left Thursday morning for San Clemente, Cal., where they will spend several weeks visiting Mr. Warner's brother, Fred S. Warner.

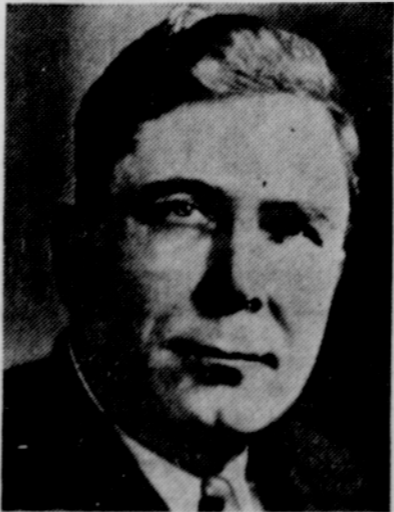
L. A. Moore of Burns, Oregon, was in Hermiston Sunday making arrangements for reequipping and redecorating the theatre building.

## Headliners for the Week



CHARLES McNARY

The European war, for at least a brief period, was crowded from the front page during the past week when Wendell L. Wilkie and Chas. L. McNary were nominated by the republican convention to carry its banner



WENDELL WILKIE

during the forthcoming presidential race. Wilkie proved a dark horse and came from a poor fourth place vote to carry the convention with a huge majority. McNary, popular senator from Oregon, is expected to be an ideal running mate for Wilkie.