

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Barager have sold their farm to Wesley Townsend of Elgin. Mr. and Mrs. Townsend will take possession at once. They have five children at home with them and an older son not at home. Mr. and Mrs. Barager will remain here until the first of December in order to dispose of their turkeys. Their plans are indefinite as to their future location.

Will Barber's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Bumford of Salem, came Sunday for a visit at the Barber home. They are enjoying the hunting season. They were accompanied by a niece, Miss Ruby Hutchinson of Schell City, Mo., Mr. Barber's home town when he was a boy.

Tom Haddock of Everson, Wn., is here visiting his boys at Irrigon and old friends in this district and Hermiston. Mr. Haddock moved from this district 10 years ago. He states he is glad to meet his old friends. He also says that Sidney Barnard, who is his neighbor in Washington as well as when he lived here, sends his best regards to his Hermiston friends.

The Home Economics club of Columbia Grange met with Mrs. M. E. Knickerbocker at her home Friday afternoon, with 11 members present. Delicious refreshments were served.

George Lewis Fredrickson of Salem, nephew of Mrs. R. B. Wilcox, came Sunday night to spend the winter here. He came because of the dry climate and when he is more able will attend school here.

Lewis Wilson, Theodore Panages and Glen Wilcox, who attended the Pacific International Livestock Show, returned home Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Charles Baker spent Monday morning visiting with Mrs. Walter Maffei.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Dunham and Mrs. Verne Dunham were in Pendleton Saturday.

Mrs. Louise Middlestadt of Portland came Sunday for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. George Liebe and family.

A. H. Cable completed his new chicken house last week and he now has room for 1000 hens.

Arthur Blinston and Carl Hamner have been working recently for Tiny Caldwell on his new dwelling. They have the forms for the cement basement almost completed.

Mrs. LaVon Miller came Wednesday from Portland for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Udey, and her grandmother, Mrs. Florence Sink. She and her husband are moving to Tillamook where he will be in business.

Miss Eva Wilcox, who left last Thursday for Portland to attend the Livestock Show, returned on the early stage Monday morning.

Miss Lucile Lukens, county health nurse, called at the Mabel Weeks home one day last week.

H. M. Sommerer made a trip to La Grande Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Henderson and daughter of Moro were visiting his aunt, Mrs. Charles Baker, the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Mikesell and son Richard are here for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mikesell, and his sister, Mrs. Edith Cable and family. Oscar expects to spend some time while here enjoying pheasant hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil DeMary and two daughters of Portland came Saturday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bradshaw.

Mrs. A. E. Metteer of Sunnyside, Wn., mother of Mrs. John Knox, is here for a week's visit at the Knox home.

Spending the day at the Tom Melton home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Moody, Mr. and Mrs. Al Moody, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Critchlow and children, all of Pendleton, and Mrs. B. C. Miller of Portland. All are relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Melton.

Tom Haddock and sons Leo and Tommy Jr. were visiting Sunday evening at the H. J. Ott home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jendrzewski were Heppner visitors Sunday at the John Skuzski home where they spent the day.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Wilson had as dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bradshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil DeMary and two daughters, and Mr. and Mrs. Kent Garrison and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Parker of Hermiston were dinner guests at the John Knox home Sunday.

Jim Gaurotte, who is employed at the H. J. Ott farm, had his mother and his sister Aileen as visitors over the week end of last week.

Olen and Earl McDaris of Sacramento, Calif., spent several days last week with their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hebert.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rogers were Sunday visitors at the Bud Hooker home.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Dunham and son Coy were Sunday visitors in Pasco, Wn.

Rex Boylen of Pendleton visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Boylen, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Sisson have moved into this district for the winter.

John Knox has been confined to his home for several days because of the flu, but is reported much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Ragel have moved recently to the Addleman farm.

Dale Robert and Beverly Jo Woodward spent Saturday with their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Tind Caldwell.

Claire Lindner was husking corn for Bud Hooker Tuesday. Mr. Hooker has seven acres of corn this year and a good yield is reported.

ROBERTSON WINNER OF ANNUAL CONTEST ON PREDATORY BIRDS

MANY PARTICIPATE IN CASH AWARDS

Dean Robertson is the 1940 winner of the annual predatory bird and animal contest sponsored by the Hermiston Rod & Gun club. Raymond Holloman came in a close second, aggregating 2730 points to 2759 for Robertson, according to figures released by Walter Hamm, club secretary. The contest proved exceedingly interesting this year with 36 youngsters participating.

Cash awards were presented this year with first place receiving \$15, second place \$12.50, and others ranging from here on down. The Umatilla Project Farm Bureau donated \$15.00, Eastern Oregon Turkey Growers, \$10.00, Roy Hale, \$5.00; and the remainder was donated by the Hermiston Rod & Gun club. A total of \$92.62 was presented to the 36 contestants.

A total of 1757 old magpies were killed in this year's contest. Other figures include: old crows, 165; old hawks, 36; old ravens, 30; magpie eggs and young, 4798; crow eggs and young, 67; hawk eggs and young, 16; raven eggs and young, 41; skunks, 37; weasels, 9; young coyotes, 9; and old coyotes, 3. Responsible for the greatest number of predators was Loren Hughes, who turned in 1026. However, most of his contributions were magpie eggs and young which did not rate the points given for old magpies and crows. Kills were turned in and rated at Hale's Confectionery.

The contest this year proved equal to those held during the past four years. The following is a list of predators killed and the years: 1935 (first year of contest), 8317; 1936, 6597; 1937, 6439; 1938, 6100; 1939, 6532, and 1940, 6,968. This totals 40,953 predators killed in the six years of the contest.

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RAYMOND KNAPP WINS CONTEST

In a plowing contest held on the George Scarlett ranch last Saturday, Raymond Knapp was declared winner over five other contestants. In the district semi-finals held Tuesday of this week in Spokane, Knapp placed fourth. He competed with the best in Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho.

The local contest was supervised by A. F. Rohrman, local dealer in Ford tractors and Ferguson Implements. Judges of the local contest were Henry Ott, E. P. Dodd, George Strohm, Emil Zivney and Frank Sater.

The contestants besides the winner were Hubert Carnes of Pilot Rock, Leo Rueber of Stanfield, Harry Rueber of Stanfield, Bob Benschel of Umatilla and Ed Benschel of Hermiston. All these young men are members of the National Farm Youth Foundation and this contest was a part of the Foundation's activity.

Saylor First Local Casualty
J. E. Saylor received a proverbial "shot in the arm" Tuesday while hunting pheasants in the Butter Creek district. Apparently someone's gun misfired or else extreme carelessness caused flying shot to hit Mr. Saylor about the arm and leg on the right side. Although the injury was not serious it was extremely painful.

Thrift Sale Is Scheduled
A thrift shop sale will be held in the basement of the Church of Christ Friday and Saturday, October 18 and 19. The sale will continue from 10 a. m. Friday to 3 p. m. Saturday. It is announced that no old garments will be sold at more than 50c. Following the sale Saturday the remainder of the articles will be moved to the A. M. Smith residence at the east end of Gladys Avenue for further sale.

Grange Conference At Wild Horse
The Oregon State Grange conference will hold a meeting with Wild Horse Grange on October 23, at their Grange hall. All Grangers are invited to be present, since a number of state officers will be in attendance. Dinner will be served at 12 and also at 6:00 in the evening.

C. JARVIS DURFEY DIES IN PORTLAND HOSPITAL MONDAY

Charles Jarvis Durfey, connected with the Hermiston Hotel since 1917, passed away early Monday morning in a Portland hospital following an emergency operation performed Saturday night. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock from the Zeller Funeral Chapel in Portland. Interment was in the Rose City cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Durfey had gone to Portland, in company with Mr. and Mrs. Walt Pearson, Saturday to see the Oregon-Washington football game that afternoon. Mr. Durfey was stricken at the hotel that afternoon and an emergency operation performed in the evening. He failed to respond to treatment, however, and passed away early Monday morning.

Mr. Durfey came to Hermiston in 1917 with his father and mother, at which time they acquired the Hermiston Hotel. Mr. Durfey Sr. passed away in 1918 and Mrs. Durfey in 1934. The only survivor in the immediate family is his wife, Mrs. Anne C. Durfey.

Mr. Durfey was one of the most familiar figures on the local streets. It was his custom to make the rounds of the business houses practically every day and his friendly greetings will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Going to the funeral from here were James Pearson, Frank Bildersback, Willard Felthouse and H. K. Dean who was already in Portland.

MANY OUTSIDERS REGISTER HERE

A total of 247 young men registered in the two Hermiston precincts Wednesday. Of this number, however, many came from Portland and other outside districts, mostly hunters who were shooting pheasants in this neighborhood. Precinct 33 (west side of First street) had the greatest count with 195, while on the other side of the tracks 52 signed up. It is difficult to say whether a 100 per cent registration was received although the figure is up to expectation.

Serving on the registration board in Precinct 32 were: Mrs. Grace Logan, chief, Mrs. B. A. Doyle, Mrs. B. J. Nation, Mrs. R. H. Pierson and W. R. Longhorn. F. C. McKenzie was in charge in Precinct 33 and was aided by Mrs. Paul Bracher, Mrs. Gerald White, Mrs. George Harkenrider and Mrs. Roy Hale.

Home Ec. Meeting Tuesday
The Hermiston Home Economics club will meet Tuesday, October 22, at the Legion hall at 2 p. m. Miss Francis Clinton will tell of her Sabbath leave in a talk on tropical topics. There will be a silver tea honoring Miss Clinton. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

MANY REGISTER FOR CITY VOTE

Although a great number of Hermiston voters have completed their registration for the city election November 5, there are still many who have failed to register. It is absolutely necessary that every voter, who wishes to vote for city officers, to register in spite of the fact that they have voted in previous elections.

It is essential that the city registration books be closed at the end of October. Anyone wishing to register may do so at the office of Charles Taylor in the Reclamation building, at the Herald office or contact Mrs. Gertrude Sanders.

JIM STUART OUT OF ACTIVE PLAY

Oregon's chances for a winning season suffered a severe blow last week when Jim Stuart, All American candidate from Hermiston, suffered a hip injury in a scrimmage session. He saw very little action in the Oregon-Washington game last Saturday and reports are that the torn ligament has failed to respond to treatment. This will in all probability keep him out of the Southern California game this week end.

It is expected, however, that Big Jim will make the trip to Los Angeles. It is also hoped that his condition may improve so that he will be able to get into the game.

LOCAL BOYS ON CO-OP BOARD

Two boys from Hermiston were elected to offices in the recent election held at Maple Manor, cooperative boarding house on the Oregon State campus. Officers chosen were: Don Turnham, president; Don Olson, house manager; Mac Fleming, vice president; Wilbur Fisher, secretary; Louis Hildebrand, sergeant-at-arms; Kenneth Benschel, athletic manager; and Jim Jackson, song leader.

Jackson has also been chosen librarian of the college glee club, under the direction of Prof. Paul Petri. Jim is a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Jackson and Kenneth Benschel is a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Benschel.

ANNE SOMMERER WINS SCHOLARSHIP

The Union Pacific railroad Monday announced that 21 Oregon and Washington college scholarship awards had been made to 4-H club and vocational agriculture winners in counties served by the railroad. Anne Sommerer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sommerer, has been chosen to represent Umatilla county.

Miss Sommerer will attend Oregon State college.

HUNTERS BOMBARD LOCAL COUNTRYSIDE TUESDAY MORNING

The past week has seen hundreds of nimrods from many parts of Oregon and Washington concentrate on this section of Umatilla county in quest of the elusive pheasants. The opening of the season Tuesday morning found the streets of Hermiston jammed with cars as early as 3:00 a. m. in preparation for the attack at daybreak.

According to reports, most hunters obtained the limit kills with some completing their bag of four by 7:30 in the morning. Others had to work most of the day.

Duck season opened Tuesday with most of the lakes and sloughs covered by hunters. No great kills were reported because of weather conditions although several limits were reported in the Stanfield district.

KLAGES INVENTS LAND LEVELER

Considerable interest is being displayed in the recent invention of Klages & Son. An apparatus which will be used in leveling land has been attached to a tractor. The affair resembles a snow plow and can be operated from the driver's seat. Virgil Smith of Hermiston has manufactured the machine.

The land leveler was seen in action Wednesday afternoon and performed notably. It is expected to build the machine in various sizes ranging from six to 12 feet. Its greatest asset will be to level land for irrigation purposes.

Klages & Son have had the machine patented.

TOWN FOOTBALL IS TALKED HERE

Considerable talk has been heard during the past week concerning a football game between Hermiston and Fossil and perhaps another town. It is indicated that there is sufficient material available to form a fairly strong aggregation here.

The plans have not been perfected and further announcement will be made next week.

George Sale Joins Army
George Sale Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. George Sale of Stanfield, left Monday for Pendleton where he joined the United States army. His appointment has not been made, and he is not certain where he will be stationed. George plans to be in radio work.

Machine Taken To Portland
The A. Popick pellet machine, used the past year at the local Farm Bureau mill, was taken to Portland this week where it will be reconditioned. O. C. Pierce, mill mechanic, made the trip to Portland and will probably remain until it is finished.

P. P. & L. TO TEST ALL HERMISTON METERS FOR ACCURACY

WORK TO REQUIRE SEVERAL MONTHS

Accuracy tests of every electric service meter now in use in the entire Hermiston territory will be undertaken at once by Pacific Power & Light company, according to John A. Clarke, local manager for the company. The work is expected to require at least four months.

Myron Miller, one of the company's meter testers, is being transferred here from the company's Astoria district to undertake the check.

Approximately 955 service meters are now installed in this territory. Although all of these meters are of modern type, they have never been tested for accuracy while in service, according to records of the former Hermiston Light & Power company, from which company service in this area was recently taken over by the Pacific system.

Service policies of the Pacific company require that every meter installed on its lines be tested periodically for accuracy. Its rules require that every meter must register between 99 1/2 and 100 per cent accuracy, with the 1/2 of 1 per cent variation allowed only on the slow side. No variation is allowed on the fast side.

In making his accuracy tests, Miller will use a delicately adjusted instrument known as a "standard," which is a portable meter that measures electricity with absolute accuracy. This instrument is checked and calibrated regularly against a master standard in the fully-equipped meter service department maintained by the company at its Walla Walla office.

Miller's procedure in making his tests will be to call at every residence, (Continued on Page Two)

ADVENTIST CHURCH SPONSORS MEETING

What will be the outcome of Europe's war and how will it affect us? This question will be discussed and answered from Biblical authority Friday evening in the Seventh Day Adventist chapel at Fourth street and Ridgeway. Every American citizen should know the answer.

This subject will be the first of a series of illustrated lectures and gospel meetings conducted weekly by college evangelists Ward Scriven and Wallace Konzack.

Added attractions will be the community sing at 7.45, vocal and instrumental specials, and free literature on the subject discussed.

Everyone is invited to attend.

MICHEL'S LEAVE ON AIRPLANE TRIP

A rare thrill is being experienced by Mr. and Mrs. Bert Michel of Hermiston who left this week on a two weeks vacation trip by airplane. Mr. and Mrs. Michel are guests of Mrs. Michel's daughter, Miss Margaret Howard, who is a stewardess on the United Airlines. She is also making the trip.

The group will leave from Portland and will fly to New York City by way of Salt Lake and Chicago. At New York they plan to visit the world's fair and other points of interest. On the return trip they will fly to Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland, over to Victoria, B. C., and back to Portland.

The trip will be especially enjoyable as the stops were so planned that all the flying will be in the daytime.

Turkey Picking To Start Nov. 4
C. A. Flanigan, plant foreman of the Eastern Oregon Turkey Growers, announces that turkey picking will commence Monday, November 4, at the local plant. All former pickers are asked to be on hand on the opening day to start operations.

Baptist Church Presents Drama
The Watson Players will present a 4-act sacred drama, "Their Last Warning," on Tuesday night, October 22, at 8:00 p. m. There are five characters in the cast and it is spoken drama. The admission will be free but a collection will be taken.

