

By Mrs. Baxter Hutchison

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Clark have a new baby boy born December 22 at the Hermiston General hospital. This is their third child.

Miss Helen Jendrzewski and her brother Bernard are home for Christmas.

It is reported that Mr. and Mrs. Miles Barager will not leave the project but are the owners of the Eugene and Verne Dunham ranches. The Dunham families will take over the Barager property near Elgin where they will move some time in March.

Miss Barbara Reid came home from Corvallis last Thursday.

Miss Eva Wilcox and Lester Wilcox, who belong to the Mustangs club at Pendleton, attended the meeting held at the Roundup grounds the first of the week. They took their riding horse along and spent the day. The affair is reported as quite an event.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rosenau of Pendleton spent Sunday night with her mother, Mrs. Mabel Weeks.

Mrs. Mary L. Harr is spending the Christmas holidays with her sister in Yakima. Her nephew, Robert Lorenz of Seattle, drove here for her the latter part of the week. They made the trip to Yakima Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hughes have a new great grandchild whose recent arrival was at St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Bob Geer. Mrs. Geer was formerly Ethel Barber, resident of this district for many years.

Amos Wilkes, brother of R. W. Wilkes, died last Friday. The funeral was at Fossil Tuesday. Amos Wilkes was quite well known here as he visited often with his brother and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Stone and son Wilfred of Heppner spent Sunday at the home of her brother, A. H. Cable and family.

Mrs. Carl Hammer and daughter Carole, who have spent the past three weeks visiting relatives in Berkeley, Calif., are home. They returned with Mrs. Hammer's father, J. Bundrick, who drove up to spend the holidays here.

Mrs. Otis Buell is able to be about after her recent illness. She spent Monday morning with Mrs. Mabel Weeks.

Mrs. Mary Myrick, mother of Cliff Myrick, passed away early last Friday morning in Walla Walla. The funeral was at Walla Walla Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Myrick had often visited here at Hermiston.

Mrs. Eugene Dunham, who has been with her daughter who has been ill at Union, returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. William English are spending the holidays in Salem.

Mrs. Laura Morris is reported to be ill with the flu.

Roy Rogers came home from Camp Murray last Thursday because of illness. He will not return to his work until after the holidays.

Frank McLouth, uncle of Mrs. Bud Hooker, spent several days here last week. His home is at Harwick, Minnesota.

Miss Nina Rae McCulley is home from O. S. C. and her sister, Miss Joyce, is also home for the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. McCulley.

Dinner guests at the Joe Udey residence Monday evening was John Miller, O. L. Looney and Mrs. Florence Kowitz.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Garberding expect to spend Christmas with relatives at Grandview, Wn.

"Buster" Caldwell is here from Camp Murray to spend his vacation of two weeks with relatives and friends. He is Mrs. Bob Woodward's brother.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Wilcox, accompanied by E. J. Myers of Stanfield, attended the Malibu camp meeting of Spanish war veterans in Pendleton Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bradshaw expect their daughter, who lives at Grand Island, Nebraska, to arrive with her husband and two children in time for the Christmas holidays. They will probably make their home here on the project.

Miss Elma Dunham came home on Tuesday from Union.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Moore called on Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McMullen on Sunday evening.

Chas. Nelson of Kinzua is spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Warren.

Mrs. Bob Woodward's sister, Mrs. Glen Parson, and her husband and daughter Glenda arrived Monday to spend the holidays here with relatives and friends. Their home is in Tacoma, Wn.

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DR. F. B. BELT TO HEAD WILDLIFE UNIT IN COUNTY

GROUP RECOMMENDS SINGLE ELK LIMIT

The Umatilla county unit of the Oregon Wildlife federation at its annual meeting last Thursday night in Pendleton elected Dr. F. B. Belt of Hermiston, president; Sam R. Hunter of Milton, vice president; Frances Dobyns, Pendleton, secretary; Henry Lazinka, Ukiah, treasurer, and Roy Hale, Hermiston, fifth member of the executive committee.

The new officers will be installed at the January meeting, to be held at Milton, at which time the farm bureau there will sponsor a dinner.

The group Thursday night passed an amended resolution submitted by a committee appointed to study the elk situation. The county unit voted to recommend a bill to the state legislature declaring one elk—regardless of sex or age—be allowed each licensed hunter during the open season, reduction of the cost of an elk tag to \$2 and amendments empowering the game commission to open and close seasons at its own discretion.

Dr. Belt submitted a motion to reduce the membership dues from \$5.00 to \$2.50 a year in the hopes more interested organizations would join the county unit. This matter will be taken up at the January meeting. Twenty organizations belonged to the county group during the past year. By a big majority vote, the unit adopted an amendment reducing the number of members required to constitute a quorum from 50 per cent to five members.

The elk committee making the report which preceded adoption of the above-mentioned resolution, consisted of S. R. Hunter, Henry Lazinka, Virgil Smith, W. D. Humphreys and Lowell Rugg. It was quite generally agreed that the group favored a reasonably long season, but not one too late in season because of the snow danger.

It was urged that all member organizations pay their dues as soon as possible, so that their memberships would be continuous. At the end of the business meeting motion pictures were shown.

H. SMITH ESCAPES INJURY IN WRECK

Horace Smith, owner of Farmers Supply Co., miraculously escaped serious injury last Thursday evening about 4:45 when his Chevrolet pickup and a large semi-truck loaded with a tractor sideswiped near the Diversion dam between Hermiston and Umatilla. The visibility was exceedingly poor due to the rain and just between dusk and nightfall.

The Smith machine was completely wrecked. Persons seeing his pickup following the accident marveled at the fact that Smith was not killed. He, however, is none the worse for the accident except several bruised bones.

W. J. Logan Reported As Low
W. J. Logan, aged Umatilla project pioneer, is reported as in a serious condition at the Hermiston General hospital. His family was called home Wednesday night to be at his bedside. Coming were Dr. A. V. Logan of La Grande and R. B. Logan of Olympia. They are staying at the W. E. Logan home.

Stores To Close Next Wednesday
As has been the custom in years past, all business houses will close on New Year's Day. Although no special activities have been planned, the day will be utilized in family gatherings and relaxation.

To Hold Meetings



Rev. J. R. L. Haslam will begin evangelistic services at the Hermiston Baptist church the first of the week. He was scheduled to be here Friday but was delayed by an attack of the flu.

RED CROSS QUOTA IS OVER-SUBSCRIBED

A total of \$188.50 was realized by the local Red Cross drive, exceeding the quota of \$150.00, and surpassing all former records. The record speaks well of the generosity of local citizens.

The subscription, in charge of Mrs. F. B. Belt, president of the Hermiston Garden club, was closed November 30.

MISS DYER WED ON CHRISTMAS EVE

The Hermiston Baptist church was the scene of a beautiful candlelight service Christmas Eve at eight o'clock when Miss Alma Vivian Dyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Dyer of Hermiston, became the bride of Eugene A. Watson, son of Mrs. Arthur Ginn of Pendleton.

The bride wore an informal pale blue silk gown and carried a bouquet of white lilies. She was attended by her sister, Miss Virginia Dyer, who wore a gown of pale green taffeta.

The best man was Chester Dyer, brother of the groom. Candles were lighted by Miss Geraldine Watson, sister of the groom.

Immediately preceding the ceremony, Christmas carols were played by Mrs. Melvin Follett who also played the wedding march. The Follett trio sang "I Love You Truly" and Bruce Follett sang "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life."

The service was read by Rev. Grayden Loree, pastor of the church.

TWO DANCES ON SCHEDULE HERE

Two dances for the Hermiston park hall have been scheduled for the following week. This Saturday night the Hermiston Townsend club is sponsoring a benefit dance with music from Pendleton.

A hilarious New Year's dance has been arranged for Tuesday night, December 31. A big crowd is expected at the annual event with balloons and noisemakers available for all the dancers. The Troubadors will furnish the music.

Call For Help Issued

The Herald editors are asking for help next week from correspondents and advertisers. New Year comes in the middle of the week and it would be greatly appreciated if material to be printed would be received at the office Monday or at least Tuesday morning.

JIM STUART TO WED JANUARY 3

Coming as a complete surprise to his many Hermiston friends, is the announcement of the forthcoming marriage of Miss Joan Dalen of Lakeview and Jim Stuart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stuart of Hermiston. The wedding will take place January 3 at Long Beach, Calif., at the home of her relatives there. Big Jim will play in the annual East-West football game January 1.

Miss Dalen's parents reside at Lakeview, and both Miss Dalen and Stuart are students at the University of Oregon. Mrs. Stuart will go to California to see her son play in the annual classic and also to attend the wedding.

CHRISTMAS FUND AIDS TO SPREAD CHEER TO NEEDY

A total of 22 baskets were delivered Monday night to as many homes in Hermiston by a committee under the sponsorship of the Hermiston Ministerial association. Funds were provided by the Christmas Cheer Fund started by the Herald several weeks ago. Final figures amounted to \$43.00, the entire amount of which was used in spreading good cheer.

Workers who distributed the baskets had many interesting stories to tell. In most instances the baskets proved a godsend and were appreciated to the fullest extent. Food, candies and nuts, small toys and other Christmas articles were purchased for distribution.

The following donations were made the last few days before the distribution was made:

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| Previously reported | \$31.50 |
| Mr. and Mrs. N. Boynton | 1.00 |
| Hermiston Trading Co. | 2.00 |
| A Friend | 1.00 |
| Rebekah Lodge | 2.00 |
| George Harkenrider | .50 |
| A Friend | 1.50 |
| Altar Society | 2.50 |
| Curtis Simons | 1.00 |
| Total | \$43.00 |

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Gailey asked to make a contribution but were persuaded to furnish a truck for the distribution which was a great help and greatly appreciated.

Miss Cooney On Honor Roll

Patsy Cooney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Cooney of Umatilla, is listed as an honor student at Maryhurst college for the fall semester, according to a statement issued December 20 by the registrar. Miss Cooney is a sophomore majoring in chemistry, and is spending the holidays with her parents after having enjoyed a week of pre-Christmas activities on the campus. She will return to college for the reopening of classes January 6.

License Examiner To Be Here

A traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs is scheduled to arrive in Hermiston Thursday, January 2, and will be on duty at the city library between the hours of 11:00 a. m. to 4:00 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.

Children Benefit By Cafeteria

Free lunches at the cafeteria are now served to 100 grade students and an additional 75 get hot dishes at a reduced price.

This has been made possible by the joint financing of the N. Y. A., which furnishes part of the labor, and the Surplus Commodities from the County Welfare Board. The grade school board underwrites some of the deficit as does the high school cafeteria to some extent.

Science Wars On Tuberculosis



Dr. Maxim M. Steinbach, Columbia University Medical School, working in laboratory on one of medical research projects financed by tuberculosis Christmas Seals.

BAPTIST CHURCH PLANS SERVICES

The Baptist church has planned an evangelistic campaign to begin Friday, December 27, and continuing each evening at 7:30 until Sunday, January 5. The speaker will be Rev. J. R. L. Haslam, noted evangelist.

Some of his subjects will be: "God Bless America"; "Here's Your Answer"; "Unpardonable Sin, What?"; "Peace in Time of War"; "Have a Heart"; "Faith in Realities"; and "The Long Look Ahead."

The public is cordially invited to attend, according to Rev. Grayden Loree, pastor.

HIGH SCHOOL BAND HAS UNIFORM DRIVE

Seventy-five per cent of approximately \$400 needed to supply the Hermiston high school band with new uniforms is assured, according to Bill Belt, band president. In an effort to secure contributions from civic groups and business houses, band members have begun a soliciting drive and progress to date is very reassuring. The greatest part of the fund is to be derived from the drive, while the remainder will be matched by the school board.

Contributions to date are as follows: City of Hermiston, \$50; Umatilla County Fair, \$25; American Legion, \$10; American Legion Auxiliary, \$5; Hermiston Herald, \$3.

Every organization and merchant in Hermiston will be canvassed during the coming few weeks in order that the uniforms will be sanctioned in the near future.

The band, resplendent in snappy maroon and white outfits, will be a valuable asset to the community.

PAST WEEK SEES MUCH RAINFALL

The 1940 Christmas season was somewhat conspicuous because of the absence of snow and cold weather. Instead, the Hermiston district stole some of the prestige from coastal cities by coming up with comparatively warm days and considerable rainfall, a total of .55 in. being recorded for the week.

The record, according to Chas. Taylor, weather man, follows:

| Date | Max. | Min. |
|-------------|------|------|
| December 19 | 35 | 21 |
| December 20 | 40 | 32 |
| December 21 | 40 | 34 |
| December 22 | 51 | 33 |
| December 23 | 47 | 32 |
| December 24 | 58 | 35 |
| December 25 | 54 | 28 |

O'GRADY DISPLAY AWARDED GRAND PRIZE IN CONTEST

CITIZENS URGED TO VIEW SCENES

The Christmas spirit in Hermiston was greatly enhanced this year with many beautiful lighting displays by local residents. Although for a time it looked like there would be but few entries in the lighting contest, the last few days saw many take part. Also there were many interesting displays noted which were not entered in the contest.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. O'Grady were awarded the grand prize by a committee which consisted of Mrs. Herb F. Cooper of Echo, Mrs. Obie Miller of Umatilla and Mrs. N. D. Bard of Stanfield.

The O'Grady scene was worthy of all the comments made. The display depicted the story of Christmas, with camels treading their way to Bethlehem. The Christmas star shone brightly above and Bethlehem, the goal, was illuminated with unique indirect lighting. The scene was distinct with its soft indirect lighting. Mr. and Mrs. O'Grady have received many compliments for their efforts. Those who have not had the opportunity to visit the display, should do so this week end.

There were also many other beautiful scenes which received pleasant comments from visitors. Among those receiving considerable praise were Mr. and Mrs. Emerald Tilden, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Taylor, Mrs. Chas. Weeks, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Doyle, Dr. and Mrs. F. B. Belt, Mr. and Mrs. P. Bracher and Mr. and Mrs. S. Wells.

Others who had outstanding displays although some were not entered in the contest were: Mr. and Mrs. Walt Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. James Todd, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kennings, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Gimbel, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Logan, Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wilcox and many others.

The following prizes were awarded: Doorway, first, Mr. and Mrs. Tilden; second, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor. Window, first, Mrs. Weeks; second, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle. Porch, first, Dr. and Mrs. Belt; second, Mr. and Mrs. Bracher. Grand prize went to Mr. and Mrs. O'Grady. The Methodist church also had a miniature display.

MRS. G. W. RUGG BURIED SATURDAY

Mrs. G. W. Rugg, mother of Archie Rugg of Hermiston, who passed away at St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton Thursday morning, December 19 following an automobile accident, was buried at 2:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon. She died without gaining consciousness after the accident.

Vesta Rugg was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Gilliam and was born at the Gilliam ranch, south of Pilot Rock February 6, 1872. She on Butter Creek where Mr. Rugg is Umatilla County.

Besides her husband, her five children survive: Archie Rugg of Hermiston, LaVelle Cleasby of Los Angeles, Grace Grey of Portland, Lowell Rugg of Butter Creek, and Jack Rugg of Pilot Rock.

Rohrman Buys Messner Building

Arrangements were completed this week whereby Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Rohrman take over the property occupied for many years by the Westland Irrigation District, across the street from Rohrman Motor Co. The sale was for cash and was purchased from Mrs. Etta White.

