

## COLUMBIA NEWS

By Mrs. Baxter Hutchison

The Hermiston Home Extension unit held its monthly meeting in Columbia club house Tuesday. The meeting was an all day affair and is reported to have been very interesting. Twenty-two ladies were present at the lunch hour with several others attending the afternoon session. The next meeting of the unit will also be in Columbia park.

Weir Casady received word that his older brother in Missouri, whom he visited this fall, had passed away at his home there.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Warren and two children of Ione spent the week end at the Virgil Warren home.

Marvin Hutchison of Pilot Rock has sold his 40 acre farm in this district to Roland Holdman. The Holdman family expect to take possession soon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Schuly arrived here from Colorado Springs Tuesday.

Kieth Hutchison of Pilot Rock was in this district last Thursday and Friday. He is a grandson of Mrs. L. W. Douglas and a nephew of Baxter Hutchison. Mr. Hutchison was on his way to Portland where he joined the engineer corps of the U. S. Army.

W. A. Mikesell and A. H. Cable were business visitors in Pendleton Monday.

George Graves and George Wicklander of Boardman were visitors at the R. B. Wilcox home Saturday. They are interested in finding a location here.

Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. John Knox visited at the A. C. Westfall home in Stanfield.

Mrs. Mary Harr who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Herman Leeper since before Christmas, returned to her home Monday.

Ernest French and Mrs. Jim Knox were dinner guests from Pendleton at the John Knox home Saturday.

Baxter Hutchison is ill at his home this week.

Phyllis Wilson is recovering from a case of chicken pox.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Barber and family of Stanfield were Sunday visitors at the E. C. Hughes home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hooker called on Mr. and Mrs. Duff Knight Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hutchison and daughter Nadine were dinner guests at the L. W. Douglas home Sunday. Marvin called on his brother Baxter Hutchison, while here.

Miss Naomi Beeson of Fossil spent from Wednesday until Saturday at the John Knox home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mikesell and Mrs. A. H. Cable and daughter Dorcen were Pendleton visitors last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Hutchison were visitors here from Pendleton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Buell called on Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Moore Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Hooker and two children were dinner guests at the Bud Hooker home Sunday.

## STANFIELD NEWS

By Mrs. Rose Hedrick

Stanfield Commercial club will enjoy an oyster supper at 8 o'clock Thursday night, January 30, with a no-host affair at the Hi-Way Cafe. Committees will be named for the annual stag dinner for February 13.

Stanfield A.F. & A.M. lodge 173 will be hosts to their members and families and local Eastern Star members for a beefsteak dinner Thursday evening, February 6, at the Presbyterian church.

M. J. McDermott has rented his farm to Otto Troxel who live beyond Nolin.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Bard enjoyed the Union Pacific Old Timers Dixie Minstrels at the Vert in Pendleton Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Ray have rented the Bard cottage. Mr. Ray is engineer at the ammunition grounds. Also Mr. and Mrs. Bysinger will occupy the Edgar Hoosier home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Massey of Boardman have removed Mrs. Williams, mother of Mrs. Massey, who has recovered from pneumonia, to their home.

The Rebekahs of Ualte lodge held their installation Monday night. Mrs. Leora Heyden is noble grand, Mrs. Orpha Brown, vice grand, Mary Rhea, secretary, and Sophronia Rhea treasurer. Mrs. William Reeves is district deputy.

Mrs. Loren Kenison has been confined to her home for the past two weeks. Bert Sherry and F. B. Stuart are also ill, and forced to remain at home.

The Women's Study club will meet January 30 at the home of Mrs. Troy Coleman at Echo, who gives the main talk of the afternoon on the Psychology of Personality. Mrs. Edna Fisk will review the book by Frederovo, called "The Family". Mrs. Hedrick, local librarian, will give some points on modern authors.

John Heckman is doing some repair work at the Fred Thorne home. The Thornes enjoyed their Christmas vacation with relatives in Kansas City.

### Hermiston To Have Bowling Alley

L. A. Moore announced Wednesday that he plans to install a bowling alley in the near future in the present location of Estie's Beauty Salon. Mr. Moore left for Portland Thursday to secure equipment. No information was available Thursday as to where the beauty shop would be located.

## LARGE SHIPMENT OF SUPERPHOSPHATE RECEIVED HERE

### LOCAL FARMERS TO RECEIVE ALLOTMENT

A 45 ton carload of 20 per cent superphosphate arrived in Hermiston Wednesday morning for distribution to local farmers who plan to comply with the provisions of the 1941 Agricultural Conservation program. The phosphate may be obtained by AAA cooperators under the grant of aid program and costs of same will be deducted in the fall from payments earned under the farm program.

The recommended application of superphosphate for this area is 240 pounds per acre, according to M. E. Knickerbocker, a assistant county agent, based upon experiments carried on at the Umatilla Field Station under the direction of Superintendent H. K. Dean. The phosphate will cost approximately \$20.00 per ton f. o. b. Hermiston, and a small charge to take care of local handling will be made. Eligible farmers who plan to get phosphate from this shipment are urged by Mr. Knickerbocker to take the materials direct from the car on Friday and Saturday of this week, thereby saving the handling charges.

The sum of \$1.50 will be paid for the application of 240 pounds per acre. The payment may be earned by applying superphosphate to or in connection with the seeding of perennial legumes, perennial grasses, winter legumes, or permanent pastures. No payment will be made for application of this material on a soil depleting crop.

The trials carried on for a number of years at the U. S. Umatilla Field Station show that superphosphate when applied to alfalfa has on the average increased the yield of hay 45 per cent. Farmers who have used it also report similar yield increases, according to Mr. Knickerbocker.

Although the phosphate will be available to cooperators as long as the supply lasts, farmers are urged to get their supply directly from the car, thereby saving local handling and storage charges of approximately \$1 per ton.

Full particulars on this grant of aid program may be obtained at the office of the assistant county agent.

## DODD URGED FOR LEGISLATIVE SEAT

E. P. Dodd of Hermiston has been prominently mentioned for appointment to the state legislature from Umatilla county to fill the vacancy caused by the sudden death of O. L. Babcock of Pendleton Wednesday afternoon. As soon as news was received of the tragedy, various groups and individuals began contacting the county court urging that Mr. Dodd be appointed.

It was stated here that Mr. Dodd would be the logical choice because of his previous experience in the legislature, because of his republican status and also because he missed by only three votes of being elected at the primaries.

## ROOMS NEEDED BY DEPOT EMPLOYEES

A request for more housing facilities in Hermiston has been issued and an attempt is being made this week to list all available vacant rooms in the city where employees at the munitions depot may be located. A committee of women is canvassing the city this week to prepare a list of rooms for this purpose.

Anyone who has available space and has not been contacted is urged to call Mrs. N. W. Bloom who will forward the information to the committee. It is expected that the need for the rooms will become urgent within the near future.

## TOM BOYLEN POSTS BOND AT PORTLAND

Tom Boylen Jr., well known here, was taken to Portland by federal officers Tuesday to face an indictment charging conversion of mortgaged sheep.

U. S. District Attorney Carl Donough said Boylen faces counts of disposing of mortgaged sheep and of making false representations to a lender in New Orleans. Boylen posted \$15,000 bond to insure his appearance.

## Matched With Dean Groth



Pictured above is Doug Wilson, Mission Indian, who will fight the popular Pendleton boy, Dean Groth, in the main event at the Hermiston fight card next Thursday, February 6. Both men are willing mixers and are out to win. Sammy McCracken, Hermiston, and Stan James, Mission will meet in the semi-finals. Three interesting preliminaries have also been arranged. The fight card will be held in the Hermiston park hall.

## COMMERCIAL CLUB ENDORSES PLANS FOR NEW CITY HALL

At a specially called meeting of the Hermiston Commercial club Tuesday evening in the library basement, the club went on record as favoring the immediate construction of a new city hall and jail. The construction problem is being left up to the city council and the club endorsed the project cost not to exceed \$7,500.00. Various plans and figures of the new building were discussed during the evening but no definite action taken on the matter.

The housing situation in Hermiston was given careful consideration and temporary plans discussed for the care of transient labor influx which is expected here as soon as news of actual construction of the munitions depot is announced. A committee of M. E. Knickerbocker, James G. Pearson and N. R. Mueller was appointed to study the matter during the next few days. They will report their findings in a short time.

## PRESIDENT'S BALL TO BE SATURDAY IN HERMISTON HALL

Cities of the west end Umatilla county are sponsoring a President's Birthday dance Saturday night, February 1, in the Hermiston park hall. The proceeds of the evening will go towards President Roosevelt's infantile paralysis campaign which is headed locally by Mrs. W. Martin Marbut and her host of workers.

Steele's orchestra of Pendleton has been engaged for the evening and reports of the ticket sale committee are to the effect that quite a crowd will attend the benefit dance.

Various other functions have been sponsored during the past week by various groups of this district. The Masonic lodge of Umatilla held a "Dime March" at their regular meeting this week.

### Grange To Sponsor Sale

Columbia Grange Home Economic club will sponsor a food sale at the Hermiston Trading Co. February 15. Particulars will appear in next week's Herald.

## ARMY ORDNANCE DEPOT CONTRACTOR STILL NOT NAMED

Considerable secrecy has been thrown around the identity of the contractors who will be awarded the contract for the construction of the U. S. ordnance depot here in the near future. Although it is known that the advisory board, which picks contractors for national defense jobs, has made its recommendations at Washington the actual information and the identity has not been announced.

Word received here is to the effect that negotiations are now underway with the chosen contractors but that said contractors at present are snowed under with work contracts. This much information was given out, however, that the chosen contractor was not a resident of either Oregon or Washington.

Locally activity is gaining momentum with speculation at a high pitch. News of the actual work construction is expected most any day.

## FIGHT CARD TO BE INTERESTING

Considerable interest is being displayed in the forthcoming fight card to be staged in Hermiston Thursday, February 6. Reports from Pendleton are to the effect that both Dean Groth and Doug Wilson are grooming for the battle on that date. The winner has been promised a bout in Heppner February 22 with the winner of that bout to be matched against Tony Kahut for the middleweight championship of Oregon.

Sammy McCracken is doing considerable work these days and is expecting difficulty in his match with Stan James, Mission fighter. Information has leaked out that James is a much improved fighter and may give Sammy a run for his money.

The sale of tickets is underway with ringsides selling at a rapid clip. They may be obtained locally at O'Conner's Cafe.

## EMPLOYMENT OFFICE TO OPEN SATURDAY

The Oregon employment service will cooperate with the work of constructing the U. S. army ordnance depot by establishing a branch employment office here this week end. Temporary headquarters have been found in the Legion hall where activities will get underway Saturday. In a few weeks the office will be moved up town to the building now occupied by Farmers' Supply Co.

The local office will be under the supervision of Don Robinson, manager of the Pendleton branch. L. C. Stoll, state director, was in Hermiston the past week making arrangements for the office. All persons are asked to contact the employment office here in connection with the ordnance depot work, and not to apply to either the army engineers, Stevens & Koon, or to Captain R. C. Williams.

## S. L. CARSON DIES MONDAY FOLLOWING TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

### FUNERAL SERVICES HERE WEDNESDAY

Tragedy struck suddenly in Hermiston again this week when S. L. Carson, a pioneer resident of the west end irrigation district, was struck by a car driven by E. E. Pulley near the Rohrman Motor Co. corner Saturday afternoon. Mr. Carson, affectionately known by his many friends as Sam, passed away Monday morning shortly after 9:00 o'clock from injuries received Saturday. Mr. Pulley was absolved of blame as Mr. Carson is said to have stepped out from behind a parked car.

Mr. Carson received serious skull injuries from contact with the sidewalk after being knocked down. His condition was considered serious from the first and little hope held for his recovery. The accident was the first traffic fatality in Umatilla county in the new year.

Mr. Carson was one of the first farmers to settle on the irrigated lands, about 1902, and later located on the Hermiston project. He resided in this district for 34 years. Mr. Carson was well known about the project and for many years operated a small farm that was the envy of many farmers in this region. Mr. and Mrs. Carson sold the ranch to Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cargill about a year ago and since then have resided in Hermiston.

Mr. Carson had been in the Northwest for about 40 years, coming to Irrigon in 1902 from South Dakota. In 1907 he moved to Hermiston where the family has been located since. He reached the age of 78 and was in robust health until the last few years.

He is survived by his widow and 10 sons and daughters: Mrs. H. M. Sommerer, Lester Carson and Mrs. Orville Dawson, all of Hermiston; Walter of San Francisco; Mrs. Henry Jones of Lewiston; Ernest of Portland; Earl and Clarence, both of Walla Walla; Dale of North Carolina, and Lee Carson of Nebraska.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Hermiston Methodist church with Rev. Stearns Cushing in charge. Burial was in the local cemetery.

## MRS. CURTIS DYER TAKEN BY DEATH

Mrs. Curtis Dyer, 64, former Hermiston pioneer resident, passed away at 9:30 this morning (Thursday) in St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton after a lingering illness. Funeral arrangements had not been made at press time.

Mr. and Mrs. Dyer have been making their home with their daughter, Mrs. Chas. Isaacs at Pilot Rock for the past several months. Mrs. Dyer received a severe stroke last Monday and was immediately taken to the Pendleton hospital. Her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Bloom of Fairbanks, Alaska, was immediately notified of her serious illness, and word was received that she was to take the next plane out of Fairbanks, and arrive at Seattle February 2. Funeral arrangements were held up until further word is received from Fairbanks. Mrs. Dyer was one of the early pioneers of this community, farming with her husband a small acreage southeast of town. She was well known here, and Mr. and Mrs. Dyer expected to return to Hermiston when spring work started to continue their farming operations. She was a member of the local Christian Science church.

Mrs. Dyer is survived by her husband, Curtis Dyer, the two daughters, 3 grandchildren.

## BURK MOVES TO STANFIELD STORE

Chas. Burk, for many years a merchant of Hermiston, has packed his bag and merchandise and is now located in his new store at Stanfield. The move came rather suddenly and was a surprise to his many friends. He will reopen for business in Stanfield as soon as he has his stock arranged.

The building he has occupied has been leased by Ben O'Conner. The latter has not stated to what purpose he will put the building although he hinted Wednesday that the site will be enlarged.

## And Watch Your Shadow



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