

By Mrs. Baxter Hutchison

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Wilcox gave a surprise party for their son Lester Tuesday evening on his 17th birthday. Fifteen boys and girls were present. The boys represent the Hermiston high school basketball team with their coach, Ray Critchfield. All report a wonderful time. Lester received many lovely gifts. Late in the evening ice cream, cake and cocoa were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Garberding made a trip to Grandview recently and spent the week end with his brother Fred. Sunday they had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Case and their daughter and husband, friends, at Sunnyside.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Conover of Holstein, Iowa, arrived Sunday afternoon for a visit at the George Strohm home. Mrs. Conover and Mrs. Strohm are sisters.

Mrs. Minnie Lindsey of Forks, Wn., is spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Willis Struthers.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Burns and son Bobby accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Basil Mikesell and Mr. Mikesell's mother, Mrs. Daisy Mikesell, drove up from Portland Sunday and spent the day at the A. H. Cable home. All returned home Sunday except Mrs. Daisy Mikesell, aunt of Mrs. Cable, who will remain here for a longer visit.

Mrs. Babel Weeks made a trip to Pendleton Wednesday of last week to be with her daughter, Mrs. Walter Rosenau, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at that time. The daughter is reported to be getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. George Carnes of Pilot Rock spent Sunday at the Willis Struthers home. Mrs. Carnes is a sister of Mrs. Struthers.

L. W. Douglas left Tuesday for Pilot Rock where he will be employed for the summer. Otis Jordan will have charge of the farm land on the Douglas place.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sommerer returned home from Corvallis Saturday. Mrs. Sommerer remarked that 1000 homemakers were in attendance at the conference held there.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hooker and family and Mr. and Mrs. Alton Hooker and family were Boardman visitors Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Barager have taken possession of their new home. They moved to the Eugene Dunham dwelling and will rent the house formerly occupied by the Verne Dunhams. Mr. Barager will take over the government work he was in charge of.

Miss Betty Cox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emory Cox, was given a birthday party by her parents last Saturday afternoon. The sixth grade pupils from the Hermiston school were present for the occasion, and a grand time playing games is reported. Ice cream and cake were served for refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Marvin of Hermiston spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Maffie.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Robertson of Sunnyside, Wn., are living in their trailer house at the Bob Woodward home. They are building a three-room cottage for Tiny Caldwell. Mark Foster is also working on the building.

Janice DeMary, the two year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil DeMary is reported to be recovering from her experience with a can of lye last week, when she attempted to eat the lye granules she had poured from a can.

Alex Jones who is here from Colorado, is now employed at the C. A. Keller farm.

Bob Shueing was a visitor at the E. G. McCulley home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Carpenter, who were at the Mabel Weeks farm, living in their trailer house, have moved back to Pendleton.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Wilcox were business visitors at Proser, Wn., Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Hutchison and daughter Patricia Mary, spent Sunday evening with her parents at the B. Hutchison home.

Miss Joyce McCulley is now employed at the Farm Bureau Cooperative.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Schroder spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Mabel Weeks.

Mrs. Frank Sater spent last Thursday with Mrs. A. C. Swarner.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Syrovoy and son Fredrick from Salem are visiting at the Virgil Warren home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Peck of Hermiston called on Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Wilson Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hammer and Mrs. Carl Hammer and daughter Carole were visitors at the C. L. Upham home Wednesday afternoon.

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## ACTION STARTS AT UMATILLA ORDNANCE DEPOT TUESDAY

### ROAD CONSTRUCTION GETS FIRST CALL

Actual construction of the Umatilla Ordnance Depot was launched Tuesday when equipment of J. A. Terteling & Sons began to break ground at the site, four miles west of Hermiston. Operations consisted of grading work on the boundary patrol road. Two drag lines were also in operation seeking to develop gravel for use on the igloos and road surfacing. The gravel to date, however, has not proven satisfactory for cement work.

Work is expected to get underway soon on the construction of barracks for single workers on the project. These barracks will be located on the government reservation. Accommodations will be provided for 700 or 800 men and will include mess halls as well as sleeping quarters.

Housing for men with families is still pending, awaiting word from Washington as to the location.

Lieutenant Colonel E. M. George of Washington, D. C., zone constructing quartermaster, arrived in Hermiston Wednesday evening to confer with Captain R. C. Williams and Terteling & Sons in regards to the construction here. No information was released as to the contents of the discussion.

## WEDDING RITES HELD SUNDAY FOR LOCAL COUPLE

Miss Maxine Faust, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Faust of Eagle Creek, and Alfred Monroe Swarner, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Swarner of Hermiston, were married Sunday afternoon at the Methodist church with Rev. Stearns Cushing Jr. reading the services. Ben Gerking sang "Because" and "I Love You Truly", with Mrs. Duff Knight playing the wedding music.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a white satin gown with a train and veil in fingertip length, which was arranged in a coronet of seed pearls. She carried a shower bouquet of white roses, gardenias and sweet peas. Miss Thelma Swarner, sister of the groom, was maid of honor, wearing a frock of blue moire and carrying a bouquet of talisman roses.

Ben E. Faust of Pendleton, brother of the bride, was best man, and Donald DeMoss and Lawrence Swarner were ushers.

A reception was held at the church parlors, with Mesdames O. O. Felt-house, E. N. Boynton, Ben Boylen and Miss Snow McCoy assisting. The immediate families of the young couple and the wedding party were seated at a long table, with the guests at small tables. Each table had a wax taper sunk in a circle of camelias. Crystal accessories were used. Miss Snow McCoy served the wedding cake.

The bridal couple left immediately for Salt Lake and California points on their wedding trip. Mr. Swarner is employed at Fairbanks, Alaska, and the couple will be at home there after April 1.

Out of town guests for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Faust of Eagle Creek, Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Carney of Pendleton, Ben E. Faust of Pendleton, Miss Thelma Swarner of Portland, Lawrence Swarner of Corvallis, Mr. and Mrs. Harry R. Smith of Enterprise, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Langenwaller of The Dalles, Henry Stoop of Stanfield, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brace of Irrigon, Mrs. W. H. Bloom of Fairbanks, Alaska, Mrs. Ray Baker of Summerville, Oregon, and Mr. and Mrs. Roman Stein of Portland.

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## Work Begins on Munitions Depot Site



Pictured above is a drag line at work digging test holes at the site of the Umatilla Ordnance Depot. Work was started Tuesday on these test pits as well as grading for roads. The lone sentinel in the lower picture is none other than the sage of Hermiston, E. P. Dodd. Photo G. Felthouse

## C. O. MARBLE PASSES SATURDAY

Funeral services for C. O. Marble were held Wednesday afternoon in the Hermiston Methodist church with Rev. Stearns Cushing in charge. Mr. Marble passed away quite suddenly Saturday after an illness of only a short time, his condition not being considered as serious until the last few days.

Mr. Marble, who reached the age of 24 years, was born in Tilney, Saskatchewan Canada. When eight years old the family moved to Minnesota. After three years there, the Marbles moved to Hermiston where they have resided since. He graduated from Hermiston high school in 1928.

He was married last fall to Miss Zelda Curtis. He is survived by his widow, his parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Marble, his grandmother, Mrs. LeFarris, and three brothers, Harold of Corvallis, Ralph of Lowry Field, Denver, Colo., and Paul of Hermiston.

Burial was in the Hermiston cemetery.

## TRAP SHOOTING SET FOR SUNDAY

The Hermiston Gun club is sponsoring a "get-together" trap shoot at the grounds south of Hermiston on Highway 30 Sunday afternoon. Activities will begin at 2:00 o'clock and will last as long as powder holds out. Anyone interested in the sport is cordially invited to participate. This in particular applies to newcomers in Hermiston.

The above date holds true only if weather is favorable.

## BASEBALL MEETING SET FOR MONDAY

A meeting of all those interested in playing baseball for the Hermiston Red Sox, members of the Umatilla county league, will be held Monday evening, March 10, in the Hermiston Herald office. The Red Sox won the county championship last year but will have tougher sledding in 1941 as the other members of the league have been considerably strengthened.

It is expected that workouts will be started in a few weeks in preparation for the league opening, April 20.

## HOT WATER BOTTLE CAUSES BURNS

Mrs. Walt Pearson and daughter Sally were victims of a unique accident Sunday night when a hot water bottle, which they had placed in their beds burst, causing severe burns on their bodies. They were taken to St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton for treatment.

Word was received today that they are getting along nicely, although the burns were quite painful.

### Farm Organization To Meet

A meeting of the Project Farm Bureau will be held Saturday, March 15, in the Columbia club rooms. A pot luck dinner will be served at 7:30 with a business meeting and entertainment to follow, according to A. H. Cable, president. Ed Russell, district representative of the State Farm Mutual insurance, will be present to show safety pictures and give a short address.

## UMATILLA LEAGUE ADMITS WALLULA AT MEETING HERE

Plans for the 1941 Umatilla county baseball league were formulated here Monday night with representatives from the various towns in the league present. The league will consist of teams from Helix, Stanfield CCC, Umatilla, Wallula, Mission Indians and Hermiston.

Play will begin April 20 with the Mission Indians playing at Hermiston, Helix at Stanfield and Wallula at Umatilla. Beginning at this date the league will have one open date prior to the Fourth of July playoff.

The league is expected to be considerably stronger this year with the addition of Wallula and the increased activities in Umatilla county. Other business at the meeting included the matters of umpires, dues, admissions and the purchase of a silver cup.

## PAST WEEK BRINGS WARMER WEATHER

Maybe the weather man was just foolin', but nevertheless several days of the past week had a touch of spring in their makeup. Monday a maximum of 63 degrees was recorded and high school lassies were out in spring regalia. However, old timers are just a little skeptical and are not risking any spring planting for a few days.

The report for the week, according to Charles Taylor, weather man, follows:

February 27	.....55	38
February 28	.....57	44
March 1	.....61	47
March 2	.....61	34
March 3	.....63	35
March 4	.....69	27

A total of .08 in. rainfall was recorded.

## FAMOUS COACH IS HERMISTON GUEST

Glenn S. "Pop" Warner, noted football coach, is in Hermiston this week visiting at the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Warner. The former is accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Glenn Warner, and a cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Somner W. Warner of Collins, N. Y. The group is spending the week here and making short trips about the country.

"Pop" Warner is at present advisory coach at San Jose State and expects to return there next year. He has spent his entire life in the coaching profession and has earned a reputation as one of the smartest in the game.

### Birthday Party Enjoyed

Approximately 18 guests gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Morse last Wednesday to help Pressley Stillings celebrate his birthday. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Guy Shaw and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Morrison and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Putman and son and Mr. Putman's mother, and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Morse.

## SUPERINTENDENT TELLS OF SCHOOL PROBLEMS HERE

### TEMPORARY AID OFFERED BY COUNTY

By Supt. W. G. Kersbergen

The school housing problem, which has been acute for some time, was eased temporarily today. The local schools have been accepting students, who parents were attracted to the town by the Ordnance Depot project. The school operates on a definite legal budget. There is also a maximum ration of pupils to teachers, beyond which a standard school may not go and rate as a standard school. In several rooms after a month's steady increase this maximum was reached. The result was that in four cases it was necessary to deny admittance to students until additional funds were secured.

Since the increase was due to the Depot project, the project authorities were asked to contribute to this end. Local officials received the request and forwarded it to the Quartermaster General's office in Washington, D. C. The reply from that office was that there were no funds. We were informed that neither the federal government nor the state government had any funds for such a purpose. Finally the local district did not have nor does it expect to have funds to handle the estimated increase. However, County Supt. J. A. Yeager has been able to offer temporary help. From funds at his disposal he has agreed to allocate a sufficient amount to employ two extra teachers until the close of the present term. The local board will contribute funds for building alterations and class room furniture. The trustees greatly appreciate this help as it enables them to accept about sixty additional elementary school students and they hope that the school term will end before it will be necessary to accept more.

However pleasing this arrangement may seem, it can not be too greatly emphasized that the solution is only temporary, that is this spring, that the increase will be several times greater next fall, and that the sponsors of the project have declined to share any part of the added cost, for which they are responsible. The local district is restrained by law from adding more than 6 per cent to its next year's budget except by general election. The problem is temporarily solved but the future is uncertain.

## GOLF CONTINGENT INVITES VISITORS

The Hermiston Golf club is extending a cordial invitation to all golfers in the territory to participate in a friendly day of golfing Sunday, providing the weather is favorable. If it rains or is too cold, the invitation stands until the first pleasant Sunday. No charges will be made for play on these dates and it is hoped that newcomers in Hermiston will accept the invitation.

During the past two weeks, golfers have spent considerable effort on the course, re-sanding the "greens" and mowing the fairways. J. R. Chenault, golfing enthusiast de luxe has been receiving numerous compliments of late for his efforts in re-oiling sand for use on the greens. He utilized a cement mixer for his project.

Considerable work still needs to be done before the course is in first class shape but with the warmer weather enthusiasm also increases among the divot diggers.

## BUILDING PERMITS SUGGEST BOOM

Hermiston is experiencing a slight "boom" if the building permit department of the city recorder can be used as a barometer. A total of \$14,500 in permits was issued during February. This is a decided step towards the right direction and very probably is a greater amount than could have been issued during a long period prior to this time. Permits have only been necessary here since the first of the year.

City Recorder Chas. Taylor stated Wednesday that March permits were already being issued with prospects that this will be another banner month.

There's work to be done fellows!



(WNU Service)