

The Umatilla Project Farm Bureau held its monthly meeting last Saturday evening. A pot luck dinner was served at 7:30 by the F. B. A. At the business session it was voted to continue the yearly contribution of \$25 to the Boy Scout organization and to rodent control was designated \$15. Ed Russell, district agent for the State Farm Mutual Insurance company showed some safety pictures during the evening.

The Home Extension unit of the Oregon State college completed Friday of last week a very successful 4-day sewing session held at Columbia club rooms. Miss Lane of the State college and Miss Clinton were present as instructors. Approximately 20 interested women attended. Eleven dresses were made and the women report a wonderful time as well as instruction.

The Columbia club house is proving such a pleasant place for community meetings that an effort is being made to have running water in the building. The Columbia district school board is cooperating with the F. B. A. and will permit the piping of water from the electric pump at the school house at a small yearly operating cost. One hundred interested persons at the dinner next Thursday night will insure these funds, according to reliable information.

The Cold Springs reservoir is proving to be quite a public resort. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Upham were among the numerous visitors there last Sunday and state that eight speed boats were on the lake that day.

Wier Casady received word last week of the death of a sister-in-law, Mrs. Ida Casady in Nevada, Mo. Mr. Casady stated that three people with whom he visited on his trip East three months ago, had passed on. All three were from 75 to 80 years of age, and one was a brother of his.

Miss Nina Rae McCulley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otis McCulley, who is attending O. S. C., is spending the spring vacation in Portland with an aunt.

Miss Ann Sommerer arrived last Thursday from Corvallis to spend the spring vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Sommerer.

Miss Barbara Reid came Saturday evening from O. S. C. for a visit with her parents. She will return to Corvallis Sunday.

Mrs. Forrest Moore is reported to be ill at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Stratton of John Day were here during the week end and attended the senior high school play in which her sister Marion Ott was one of the cast.

Mrs. L. W. Douglas has returned here for a few days to look after business interests. She spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. G. Strohm.

Miss Dorothy Hiatt was a guest of Miss Gloria Hammer Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Garberding received word Tuesday that her father had passed away in California. Mrs. Garberding left at once to be with her mother. Mrs. Garberding's parents were in California for the winter. Their home is in Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Boylen, former residents of this district but now operating a grocery business in Salem, were visiting old neighbors in this district recently. Among those visited were Mr. and Mrs. Weir Casady.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Conover, who have spent two weeks visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. George Strohm and husband, left Saturday by way of Salt Lake for their home at Holstein, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Loran Caldwell and son George spent Sunday afternoon at the Bob Woodward home. Mr. Caldwell is a brother of Mrs. Woodward.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Warren and son Junior of Ione were here Sunday. They spent the day picnicking with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Warren at the Cold Springs reservoir. The outing was in celebration of Junior's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. English spent the week end with relatives in Walla Walla.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Ray of near Umatilla were Sunday afternoon visitors at the Bud Hooker home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wells were Sunday visitors at the John Knox home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hooker and children picnicked at Sand Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Arnold and daughter of Butter Creek were afternoon visitors at the W. A. Mikesell home Sunday.

Ruby Hooker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hooker, has recovered from the measles.

Mrs. John Knox and Mrs. Wesley Parker were in Walla Walla Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Peterson have moved in with her brother, Raymond Blahm. Mr. Peterson will help Mr. Blahm with the farm work and Mrs. Peterson will have charge of the home.

Mrs. Daisy Mikesell, who is visiting here from Portland, is spending this week at the A. H. Cable home.

Men's Class Aids Gerking

The Men's Sunday School class of the Central Church of Christ displayed a neat bit of "brotherly love" Wednesday when they got together and helped Ben Gerking pour his basement of his new home. Mr. Gerking is constructing a new home and contemplates in doing much of the work himself and the "lift" Wednesday was no doubt greatly appreciated.

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LADDER TOURNAMENT SLATED SUNDAY AT LOCAL COURSE

FIRST INTER-CITY MATCH MARCH 30

The first competitive play of the 1941 golf season will be launched Sunday when members of the Hermiston club will engage in a ladder tournament. Score cards have been turned in by the various players and listed according to the score. Jim Todd, president, upheld the honors of his office by turning in low score and for the time being is at the top of the heap.

Bud Beard, tournament chairman, was next in line with a score of 80, one over that turned in by Todd. Beard will challenge Todd Sunday in an attempt to dethrone the leader. This arrangement will carry through to the bottom of the list with the low man challenging the man next to him. Each week scores will be published showing the results of ladder play.

The first inter-city tournament of the year will be played March 30 at Condon. April 6 will find the local group going to Pasco, Wn.

The order follows: Jim Todd 79, Bud Beard 80, Ray Critchfield 81, M. T. Matott 82, Howard Klages 83, Ralph Brownson 84, Glenn Ripley 84, Gerald Keller 86, Sam Moore 87, C. J. Jackson 87, Paul Van Patten 90, A. E. Bensel 91, Ray Chenault 92, Joe Miller 116.

LETTER TELLS OF TRAINING CAMP

A. A. La Belle, employed at the Oregon Hardware & Implement Co., this week received an interesting letter from his son George who is in training for the British Air Corps at Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. Another son, Babs, is now a member of the flying corps and is undergoing preliminary training at St. Thomas from where he will leave to serve in the British R.A.F.

The letter from George tells of his experiences at Edmonton and particularly stresses the thought that is foremost in the minds of Canadian soldiers—to go overseas to fight for England. The letter is touching in spots and tells in detail of activities and experiences in camp.

George will make his first parachute jump in a short time and he is looking forward to the experience. An attempt will be made to print the letter at a later date.

Former Superintendent Visits

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. McAtee, formerly school superintendent here but now of the Prineville school system, made an overnight stop in Hermiston last Friday. Supt. McAtee was on a business trip in this region and stopped here to look up old friends. He stated that Prineville was gaining by leaps and bounds and that the school attendance had more than doubled in recent years. The McAtees were overnight guests here at the O. O. Felthouse home.

Calf Club Meets Wednesday

A meeting of 4-H Calf club members was held in the Columbia park hall Wednesday evening with Assistant County Agent M. E. Knickerbocker in charge. It was decided to divide the group into three divisions to be headed by Miss Eva Wilcox, Don Sherwood and Mr. Hunt. The former group will meet April 2 at the home of Lucile and Donald Holoman.

Examiner Coming March 27

A traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs is scheduled to arrive in Hermiston Thursday, March 27, and will be on duty at the city library between the hours of 11 a. m. to 4 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.

Daugherty Moves Barber Shop

Vern Daugherty, who for the past year has operated the barber shop just west of the post office, this week moved his chairs to the lobby of the Hermiston Hotel. Quarters have been fixed up there in the former location of the hotel office. Mr. Daugherty will continue to live at the former location.

ROHRMAN BEGINS PRODUCTION IN MASS QUANTITIES

Rohrman Motor Co., agency for Ford Motor cars, trucks and tractors, this week added another line of business when they landed a contract for 300 monument markers. Mr. Rohrman stated this week that he was doing the job as a hobby as it gave him opportunity to tinker with small machines.

Gus Estle, however, appears to be the foreman of the job and is devoting his full time to the task. The markers will be used at the site of the Umatilla Ordnance depot.

BUS ROUTE TO SITE PLANNED

Paul Pettyjohn of Arlington has obtained a franchise to operate a bus route between Hermiston and the site of the Umatilla Ordnance Depot. He will begin the service as soon as sufficient business is available.

An estimated price for the round trip is 25c but this is only tentative.

FIRST PERMANENT OFFICER ARRIVES

Master Sergeant Ronald A. McLain, who has been at the Ogden ordnance depot since 1936, in charge of the property section, recently arrived here as the first permanent officer for the local ordnance depot. Master Sergeant and Mrs. McLain and son Billy are living in the N. D. Bard home at Stanfield.

Sergeant McLain, who was born in Greensburg, Pa., March 24, 1901, served his first enlistment in the army at the Aberdeen proving ground in Maryland. He was discharged from his first enlistment as a duty sergeant, from his second enlistment as a staff sergeant, and from the third and fourth enlistment as a technical sergeant. Now serving his fifth enlistment, he was promoted to master sergeant January 24, 1941.

Sergeant McLain has served also at Raritan arsenal, Metuchen, N. J., Frankford arsenal, Philadelphia, Pa., Delaware ordnance depot, Baltimore, Md. He also has served in various other temporary posts and administrative assignments on the east coast.

Besides his ordnance depot work, Sergeant McLain is an active Scout worker.

BAND UNIFORMS ALMOST READY

The high school band will soon appear with new spic and span uniforms which have been in the making for the past several months. Approximately \$400 was raised between the high school student body and Hermiston business men to finance the project.

A sample of the uniform was on display in Superintendent W. G. Kersbergen's office this week and was quite a popular subject.

Revivalist Here



Rev. J. R. L. Haslam, pictured above, will begin a series of services at the Baptist church this week end. Meetings are scheduled every evening except Saturday, beginning at 7:45, according to Rev. Grayden Loree, pastor.

EXAMINATION ON TEETH COMPLETED

Dental examinations on school children of the first six grades of Hermiston, Columbia, Umatilla, Stanfield and Echo were completed last week by Dr. W. L. Morgan. The project was in cooperation with the Umatilla County Health unit, headed by Miss Lucile Lukens of Pendleton.

A total of 234 children were examined in the Hermiston area. Students were not only given examinations but also dental education. Examination was for cavities, extraction, oral hygiene, cleaning and malocclusion.

According to Miss Lukens, 425 students were examined in the west end of the county. Mrs. H. T. Fraser of Hermiston acted as clerk and secretary.

JUNIOR HIGH TO PRESENT PROGRAM

The Hermiston Junior high school will present its annual spring program Friday night, March 28, in the school auditorium. The presentation this year is entitled, "Parade of Nations." An admission price of 10c and 20c will be charged.

The program and play cast will be published next week.

Van Skike Makes Egg Purchase

N. J. VanSkike, proprietor of the Hermiston "Vigorbilt" hatchery went to Weiser, Idaho, Wednesday where he purchased his next year's supply of White Leghorn eggs. Mr. Van Skike made the purchase from one of the foremost White Leghorn breeders of that state which assures him of an excellent quality.

MANY REGISTER AT LOCAL OFFICE FOR WORK HERE

Activities at the Hermiston employment station have been humming during the past few weeks, according to Lynne M. Black, senior employment officer. Approximately 1000 men have registered for work at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot but to date only a small number has been called. Officially 29 carpenters and 9 common laborers have been cleared through the local office to date, although several of the men were former members of Terteling's crews, and were called directly.

Mr. Black stated Wednesday that it was very important that men listed at the office have telephone numbers so that contact can be made immediately after the call comes in. Local men will be given preference in the early order for help.

PILOT ROCK TO PLAY HERE FRIDAY

The first baseball game of the season will be played here Friday afternoon when Pilot Rock meets the Hermiston Bulldogs on the park diamond. Coach Critchfield has had his Bulldogs out for practice the past two weeks and indications are that a fair ball club is in the making. It is expected that Don Cellers will start on the mound for the locals.

To date only four games have been scheduled, two with Pilot Rock and two with Athena.

POST OFFICE HAS EXTENSIVE GAIN

It is getting to be quite a problem at the Hermiston post office to keep step with progress. Postmaster W. J. Logan reported this week that receipts for this month were approximately 60 per cent over last year. Each month this year has shown a steady increase with the month of March gaining by leaps and bounds.

The new business will aid considerably in Hermiston's efforts to obtain better mail service and a new post office.

WORLD WAR DAYS RECALLED HERE

Two young men, Roy G. Penney, and Alvin Benson, attended high school together, and graduated in the same class from the Springfield high school. Later, when the call came for the world war, they enlisted at different cities and were reunited at Kelley Field, Texas, where they were together during the summer of 1917.

Penney later was transferred to Mineola Aviation Field, Long Island, N. Y., and Benson was sent overseas. Neither had heard from the other until about two weeks ago when Mr. Benson came to Hermiston to work at the munitions depot.

Needless to say, many old yarns are being spun.

CARPENTERS BUSY ON QUARTERS FOR SINGLE WORKERS

CITY SITE OFFERED FOR MARRIED MEN

Activities this week at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot have stressed the construction of temporary quarters for single workers at the site west of Hermiston. A crew of approximately 30 carpenters are working at top speed to prepare for the influx of workers expected shortly.

Other work going on includes road construction, surveying and well drilling. It is expected that the crews will be increased as the occasion demands, although the peak of construction is not expected until mid summer.

Efforts are being made to locate houses of married workers and their families within the city limits of Hermiston. The site chosen is the 15-acre tract just west of Hermiston on the bend of the Heppner road. The acreage belongs to Harold Keller and will probably be purchased by Hermiston merchants to give to the government in case the location is approved.

A Walla Walla firm has the task of supplying water for Uncle Sam's new ordnance depot near Hermiston. Contracts were signed last week with A. A. Durand & Son, Walla Walla, for several groups of wells about the huge tract and the following day they moved in their first rig, put to work a crew of four operators and started the initial bore.

Within a short while, according to Paul Durand, junior partner, two other well drilling rigs will go to work on the contract, and as soon as additional shifts are practicable, about 18 or 20 men will have months of work ahead.

Government regulations do not permit of releasing much specific information on the plans for supplying water to the ordnance depot, but it is expected that bores of 400 to 500 feet will provide the supplies. The initial drill has begun with a 15-inch diameter hole.

Wells will be put down in groups at specified locations over the reservation, so that a minimum of piping will be necessary.

M'CRACKEN GETS ANOTHER DRAW

Sammy McCracken, Hermiston representative in the fistie world, fought to a draw with Bobby Hayes at Boise, Idaho, last Friday night. This was the second consecutive draw between the two boys and they contended that the third time will be the charm. Ben O'Connor accompanied McCracken to Boise.

Appearing on the same card in the main event saw Irish John Taylor score a knockout over Al Bero in the 12th round. Taylor is reported as a first class puncher and is an old timer at the game. He will appear in the main event in Hermiston in a 12-round fight. No opponent has as yet been named. McCracken and Hayes will decide their troubles the same evening in a six-round semi-final.

WATER SUPPLY IS SUFFICIENT HERE

Local resident, who have been reading reports of water shortage about the Willamette valley and in Washington, can rest assured that the Cold Springs reservoir is filled to the brim. Irrigation has already started in rural areas and water is available to anyone needing the service. Irrigation ditches still need considerable cleaning, according to reports.

The water situation here, even though the present outlook is favorable, may not be so bright later in the season. The intake may diminish because of light snow and precipitation in the mountains this winter. City irrigation will not begin for several weeks.

Trades Union Planned Here

In another section of this week's issue will be found an announcement concerning the organization of a Hermiston Local of the Building Trades. Preliminary work has been done by Paul VanArsdale, Carl Hammer and Walter Jackson. A meeting of all those interested has been called for Friday night, March 21, in the Legion hall.

The Oldtimer

LISTENING TO YOU BOYS COMPLAINING ABOUT THE SCHOOL-BUS, REMINDS ME OF THE TIME WHEN I USE TO HIKE FIVE MILES TO SCHOOL IN THE MORNING AND FIVE MILES BACK HOME IN THE EVENING. RAIN OR SHINE, HOT OR COLD. WE USED TO COMPLAIN ABOUT THE WEATHER, BUT IT DIDN'T DO NO GOOD



(WNU Service)